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News Release

Notice of Upcoming Public Hearings and Solicitation of Input to Inform 2024-25 Annual Action Plan

(Monday, March 4, 2024) — In accordance with the federal regulations at 24 CFR § 91.320, the City of Rochester is in the process of preparing an Annual Action Plan to guide its use of funds for the 2024-2025 program year from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development and Planning Program.

The Consolidated Planning process is a requirement for direct financial assistance under certain HUD formula grant programs including the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) programs, the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) program, and the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) program.

The City is preparing the 2024–2025 Annual Action Plan for the program year beginning July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, which identifies the activities that will be undertaken to address the priority needs and goals identified in the 2020-24 Five-Year Consolidated Plan. The City of Rochester anticipates receiving the following estimated allocations from HUD for the period beginning July 1, 2024:

- CDBG: \$8,132,502
- HOME: \$2,760,094
- ESG: \$718,502
- HOPWA: \$1,125,914

In addition, the City anticipates programming \$250,000 in CDBG Program Income and \$225,000 in HOME Program Income in its 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan.

Solicitation of Public Input

The City is encouraging members of the public to provide input to inform the development of the 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan budget. In particular, the City is interested in receiving input from low- and moderate-income individuals, as they are meant to be the primary beneficiaries of HUD's formula grant programs. The City is providing the opportunity to provide feedback in writing as well as in person at a series of three public hearings.

Written comments can be submitted via:

- Digital survey + hearing pre-registration form can be found at:
- <https://forms.office.com/r/H9FTRhERdR>
- www.CityofRochester.gov/ConsolidatedPlan2020
- Email: HUDFunding@CityofRochester.gov
- US Mail: HUD Program Management, City Hall Room 224B, 30 Church Street, Rochester, NY 14614

First Public Hearing

An in-person public hearing will be held from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., March 18, 2024 at City Hall in City Council Chambers, 30 Church St. City staff will review housing and community development priority needs and goals as identified in the

overarching 5-year Consolidated Plan, the amount of assistance the City expects to receive, the range of activities that may be undertaken, development of proposed projects, and measures of past program performance. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions and provide input on community needs and priorities. Please click the link below for more information and to comment and/or pre-register for this event: <https://forms.office.com/r/H9FTRhERdR>
www.CityofRochester.gov/ConsolidatedPlan2020

30-Day Public Display and Comment Period

Copies of the draft 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan will be available for download or printing by request at the following locations on, or before April 16, for the required 30-day public display and comment period:

- Rochester City Hall: 30 Church St. (Rm. 224-B);
- Northeast Neighborhood Service Center: 500 Norton Street;
- Northwest Neighborhood Service Center: 400 Dewey Ave;
- Southwest Neighborhood Service Center: 923 Genesee Street;
- Southeast Neighborhood Service Center: 320 N. Goodman Street; and
- City of Rochester website: www.CityofRochester.gov/ConsolidatedPlan2020

Written comments will be accepted by the City during the public display and comment period. The City will consider comments received during the public display and comment period in preparing the final 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan. A summary of these comments, and a summary of comments not accepted and the reasons why, will be attached to the final plan for formal action by City Council and submission to HUD. Written comments must be received no later than 7 p.m., Thursday, May 16, 2024 in order to be included in the finalized documents submitted to City Council for approval.

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Second Public Hearing

An in-person public hearing will be held 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., April 23, 2024 at Rochester City Hall in City Council Chambers, 30 Church St. City staff will review the draft 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan, including the proposed budgets for specific programs, as well as anticipated community impact. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions and provide official comments in response to the draft Annual Action Plan. For more information and to comment and/or pre-register for this event, visit: www.CityofRochester.gov/ConsolidatedPlan2020

Third Public Hearing

The final public hearing will take place and be overseen by City Council, 6 p.m., Thursday May 16, 2024, prior to formal action by City Council on May 21, 2024. Information on how to participate can be found here:

<https://www.cityofrochester.gov/publicmeetings/>

The Public Hearing can be viewed live at: <https://www.youtube.com/user/RochesterCityCouncil>.

City Council Action and Submission to HUD:

The City anticipates bringing the 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan to City Council for formal action on Tuesday, May 21, 2024. The final 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan must be submitted to HUD no later than June 30, 2024.

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