## LEGAL NOTICE CITY OF LANCASTER

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND PUBLIC HEARING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)

CARES ACT SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE 2015 – 2020 CONSOLIDATED PLAN, THE 2019 – 2020 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN AND THE CITIZEN PARTICPATION PLAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at its meeting to be held virtually at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 26, 2020. The meeting will be conducted virtually and video streamed live on Channel 28 and the City's website: https://www.cityoflancasterca.org/about-us/departments-services/city-clerk/meetings-agendas-and-minutes/public-meetings-web-streaming, pursuant to Governor's Executive Order N-29-20. At the meeting, the City Council will conduct a public hearing and accept public comments on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) CARES Act Substantial Amendment to the 2015 – 2020 Consolidated Plan, the 2019 – 2020 Annual Action Plan and the Citizen Participation Plan.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

May 20, 2020 to

May 26, 2020

PLACE OF REVIEW:

Lancaster City Hall

Administrative & Community Services Department

44933 Fern Avenue Lancaster, CA 93534

DATE OF HEARING:

Tuesday, May 26, 2020

TIME OF HEARING:

5:00 p.m.

PLACE OF HEARING:

This meeting will be conducted telephonically and video streamed live on Channel 28 and the City's website: <a href="https://www.cityoflancasterca.org/about-us/departments-services/city-clerk/meetings-agendas-and-minutes/public-meetings-web-streaming">https://www.cityoflancasterca.org/about-us/departments-services/city-clerk/meetings-agendas-and-minutes/public-meetings-web-streaming</a> pursuant to Governor's Executive

Order N-29-20

This Substantial Amendment is available for a 5-day public review and comment period from May 20, 2020 to May 26, 2020. Citizens wishing to submit written comments during the public review and comment period may mail them, postmarked no later than May 26, 2020, to the following:

City of Lancaster
Attention: Lisa Anderson, Grants Administrator
Administrative and Community Services
44933 Fern Avenue
Lancaster, California 93534

You may also email comments no later than May 26, 2020 to Ms. Anderson at landerson@cityoflancasterca.org.

## Amendment:

This is an amendment to the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan and the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan for the City of Lancaster to enable the City to receive and administer \$874,303.00 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) made available through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act).

Additional CDBG funding may be made available to the City by HUD through the CARES Act is unknown as this time but will be used for the same purpose of the initial allocations indicated above which is to prevent the spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) and facilitate assistance to eligible households, and persons economically impacted by COVID-19. In addition, eligible CDBG activities include, but are not limited to, assisting low- and moderate-income households with rental assistance for no more than three months, grab and go/delivery meal programs, and support of other COVID-19 response services.

Further, eligible CDBG costs incurred as of March 27, 2020, which is the date in which President Trump signed the CARES Act, and paid for with nonfederal funds may be repaid with CDBG funding, including those made under the CARES Act. These pre-award costs will meet all HUD requirements applicable to CDBG, including those under the CARES Act. Unless waived by HUD, CDBG pre-award costs for FY 2020-2021 will not exceed 25% of the grant and will be used for the CDBG eligible activities as indicated above.

Lastly, as part of this amendment, the City has revised the Consolidated Plan's Citizen Participation Plan to include the 5-day comment period as indicated above as well as to make other changes. The revised Citizen Participation Plan is available for review on the City of Lancaster website at: <a href="https://www.cityoflancasterca.org">www.cityoflancasterca.org</a>

All interested persons are invited to electronically attend the meeting, review and comment on the CDBG CARES Act Substantial Amendment to the 2015 – 2020 Consolidated Plan, the 2019 – 2020 Annual Action Plan and the Citizen Participation Plan. Comments to be read into record during the public hearing portion of the meeting may be submitted at least two hours prior to the start of the meeting via email to AALEXANDER@CITYOFLANCASTERCA.ORG, or in writing to the City of Lancaster, 44933 Fern Avenue, Lancaster, California 93534, Attn: City Clerk, or by calling the City Clerk Department at (661) 723-6020 with comments relative to the public hearing.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, this meeting will be held in a manner that is accessible to persons with disabilities; if you need special assistance to participate in this public meeting please contact the City Clerk at (661) 723-6020. TDD users may call the California TDD Relay Service at 1-800-735-2922. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and Executive Order N-29-20, the City has implemented a procedure for receiving and swiftly resolving requests for reasonable modification or accommodation from individuals with disabilities, consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act and resolving any doubt whatsoever in favor of accessibility Services such as American Sign Language interpreters, a reader during the meeting, auxiliary aids, and large print copies of the agenda and/or translation assistance for non-English speakers are available upon reasonable and timely request. To ensure availability, you are advised to make your request at least 72 hours prior to the meeting/event you wish to attend. Due to difficulties in securing sign language interpreters, five or more business days' notice is strongly recommended. For additional information, please contact the City Clerk at 661-723-6020.

DATED: May 20, 2020

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City Clerk

City of Lancaster

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