

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Substantial Amendment to the City's Citizens Participation Plan and 2015 Five Year Consolidated Plan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the City Council of the City of Porterville on Tuesday, May 5, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 291 North Main Street, in order to consider proposed amendments to the Citizen's Participation Plan and the City's 2015 Consolidated Plan and Action Plan (PY 2019-20).

The Citizen's Participation Plan (CPP) provides guidelines by which the City will promote engagement in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of the distribution of federal funds as outlined in the Consolidated Plan, Action Plan, and CAPERS. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, HUD issued a memorandum entitled CARES Act Flexibilities for CDBG Funds Used to Support Coronavirus Response and plan amendment waiver on April 9, 2020. An amendment to the CPP is being proposed to include a five (5) day public comment period and an option to hold virtual public hearings for amendments and new plan submissions to respond to the coronavirus.

The Action Plan identifies activities the jurisdiction will undertake separately, or in conjunction with other public and private agencies, during the next year to address priority needs and local objectives established in the Five Year Consolidated Plan that will meet the National Objectives of HUD to provide benefit to low-and moderate-income persons or aid in the prevention or elimination of slum or blight. A Substantial Amendment to the 2015 Five Year Consolidated Plan is being proposed to address the addition of CDBG-CV funds for the 2019-20 Action Plan made available with the passages of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Securities Act to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic, allocating \$489,098 to the Business Assistance Program.

The proposed amendments will be available for examination and comment for five (5) days commencing April 30, 2020, and concluding on May 5, 2020. Copies of the amended Consolidated Plan are on file at 291 N. Main Street, Porterville, CA in the Community Development Department and online at www.ci.porterville.ca.us. This notice is given in order to provide all interested parties an opportunity to present their views with respect to the proposed amendment. Persons of low-and moderate-income, disabled and elderly persons, members of minority groups, and persons residing in areas where Community Development Block Grant Program activities are proposed are particularly encouraged to attend. Questions about the project should be directed to Jennifer Byers, Community Development Director, 291 N. Main Street, Porterville, CA 93257, at (559) 782-7460 or by email at housing@ci.porterville.ca.us.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and the California Ralph M. Brown Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, or to be able to access this agenda and documents in the agenda packet, please contact the Office of the City Clerk at (559) 782-7464. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting and/or provision of an appropriate alternative format of the agenda and documents in the agenda packet.

Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20, signed by Governor Newsom on March 17, 2020, and in an effort to protect public health and slow the rate of transmission of COVID-19, the City of Porterville is allowing for and encouraging electronic public participation at City Council Meetings. Until further notice, Porterville City Council Meetings will be livestreamed on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5KuhSrNMNL9nwHJVtnJvvA>. Public comments may be submitted to CouncilMeetingComments@ci.porterville.ca.us and will be read aloud for Council consideration during Oral Communications or during any public hearings as applicable. Members of the public are encouraged to submit comments prior to 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 5, 2020, to participate in said meeting. Staff will periodically check for any emails that may have been submitted after 6:30 p.m., however it is not guaranteed that those emails will be read prior to Council action.

DATED: April 28, 2020

Jennifer M. Byers

Community Development Director

