

**NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING  
OF THE GILROY CITY COUNCIL  
TO CONSIDER SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENTS TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FY 2015-2020 CONSOLIDATED PLAN, FY 2019-2020 ANNUAL  
ACTION PLAN AND AMENDMENT TO THE  
CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN**

**THIS CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD on Monday, May 4, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as the item can be heard, by the Gilroy City Council.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the City of Gilroy has released substantial amendments to its 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan, 2019-2020 Action Plan and its Citizen Participation Plan. These amendments are necessary to facilitate the receipt and distribution of critical funding to assist in the response, prevention and recovery of the COVID-19 state of emergency. On March 27, 2020, Congress passed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) to support preparation for and response to the community impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and identified additional funding for the City of Gilroy through its Community Development Block Grant Program. The City anticipates receiving an additional \$275,486 in CARES dollars. The City will also be allocating up to ~~\$150,000~~ 344,229 from current/prior year CDBG allocations in response to the COVID-19 crisis.

The City's Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) describes the efforts that the City will take to encourage its residents to participate in developing these plans. It also provides requirement for public process when a "substantial amendment" to the Annual Action Plan is proposed. Due to COVID-19, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has issued guidance that waives the CPP requirements for entitlement recipients, provided that (1) no fewer than five days are provided for public comments and that (2) reasonable notice and the opportunity to comment is provided. This City has requested a waiver for this process from HUD and will be amending its CPP to follow this guidance.

**Proposed Substantial Amendments**

The City is proposing the following amendment to the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan in order to reallocate current program funds from projects/activities that did not expend the projected funds within the fiscal year, as well as supplemental funding established by the CARES Act.

1. New Activity: Rental Assistance / Subsistence Program
2. New Activity: Business Assistance Program
3. Cancel Activity: Cherry Blossom Apartment Complex Rehabilitation

In keeping with federal requirements, the City is accepting comments from the public for a period of 5 days, beginning April 28, 2020 and ending May 2, 2020. The proposed substantial amendments will be posted on the City's official website at [www.cityofgilroy.org](http://www.cityofgilroy.org). Comments received during this comment period and at the public hearing will be listed and addressed in the final substantial amendments to the Action Plan that will be submitted to HUD for final approval. Written comments may be submitted prior to the meeting by mail: City Hall 7351 Rosanna Street, Gilroy, CA. 95020 Attn: Sue O'Strander, or by email at [sue.ostrander@cityofgilroy.org](mailto:sue.ostrander@cityofgilroy.org).

**Public Participation in this meeting will be limited.** Interested parties are encouraged to participate in this public hearing as this is the time and place when those interested shall be heard and given due consideration. This meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the

Governor's Executive Order N-29-20. In order to minimize the spread of the COVID 19 virus, the City is providing the following telephone and email options for public comments at this meeting:

You are encouraged to participate in this meeting by watching it live on the City of Gilroy's website at [www.cityofgilroy.org](http://www.cityofgilroy.org), or on Cable Channel 17. To view from the website, select the "Council Agendas and Videos" button from the homepage. Public comments can be submitted during the meeting to City Clerk Shawna Freels at [shawna.freels@cityofgilroy.org](mailto:shawna.freels@cityofgilroy.org) and must be received before the Mayor closes the public hearing for the item. Additionally, comments may be made by leaving a voice message at (408) 846-0204 prior to 5:00 p.m. on May 4, 2020.

A detailed description of the proposal is on file with the Community Development Department. If you have any questions about this request email Deputy Community Development Director Sue O'Strander at [sue.ostrander@cityofgilroy.org](mailto:sue.ostrander@cityofgilroy.org), or leave a message at **(408) 846-0219**. The staff report for this proposal may be viewed on the City website ([www.cityofgilroy.org](http://www.cityofgilroy.org)) by 5:00 p.m. the Wednesday before the City Council meeting.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, and Governors Order N-29-20, the City will make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting. If you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Clerk a minimum of 2 hours prior to the meeting at (408) 846-0204. The hearing impaired can reach the City Clerk through the California Relay System at 711 or (800) 735-2929. The City of Gilroy does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or familial status in the administration of its programs or activities.

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s/s Shawna Freels, City Clerk