

AGENDA ITEM #4

POSTING LANGUAGE: Briefing and possible action on the FY 2022 Community Housing Development Organization Funding. [Lori Houston, Assistant City Manager; Verónica R. Soto, Director, Neighborhood and Housing Services]

DEPARTMENT: Neighborhood and Housing Services

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Verónica R. Soto, FAICP, Director

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: City-wide

SUBJECT:

FY 2022 Community Housing Development Organization Funding

SUMMARY:

Consideration of a recommendation to award up to \$275,000 in HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funding to the following eligible Community Housing Development Organizations as follows:

- (a) \$85,000 to Habitat for Humanity of San Antonio (Council District 5);
- (b) \$74,000 to Prospera HCS (Council District 10);
- (c) \$66,000 to Neighborhood Housing Services of San Antonio (Council District 3); and
- (d) \$50,000 to Our Casas Resident Council (Council District 5).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

On August 12, 2021, through Ordinance 2021-08-12-0564, City Council approved the FY 2022 Action Plan and Budget (Action Plan) which allocated \$15,482,693 in Community Development Block Grant and \$8,502,709 in HOME funding. The Action Plan includes \$275,000 in HOME set aside for Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Operating Expense funding.

The City issued a Request for Proposals for CHDO Operating Expense Funding on August 20, 2021 and held a pre-submittal conference on August 31, 2021. Applications were due on September 24, 2021, and staff received four proposals with funding requests totaling \$371,281. The evaluation panel meeting was held on October 12, 2021, and assessed the experience, capacity, and ability to deliver affordable housing.

ISSUE:

Staff recommends awarding Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Operating Expense funding to each of the following eligible CHDOs: \$85,000 to Habitat for Humanity of San Antonio (Council District 5), \$74,000 to Prospera HCS (Council District 10), \$66,000 to Neighborhood Housing Services of San Antonio (Council District 3), and \$50,000 to Our Casas Resident Council (Council District 5).

ALTERNATIVES:

An alternative to awarding this funding to the recommended organizations would be to reject the recommendations; however, the recommended projects meet the established goals set forth in the FY 2022 Action Plan and Budget (federal funds). In addition, any other alternative to appropriate funding would delay the timely commitment and expenditure of the federally sourced funds.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This funding recommendation awards up to \$275,000 in HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funding.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends an overall award of \$275,000 in HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funding to the following eligible Community Housing Development Organizations:

- (a) \$85,000 to Habitat for Humanity of San Antonio (Council District 5);
- (b) \$74,000 to Prospera HCS (Council District 10);
- (c) \$66,000 to Neighborhood Housing Services of San Antonio (Council District 3); and
- (d) \$50,000 to Our Casas Resident Council (Council District 5).