



## Takoma Park City Council Meeting – February 14, 2018 Agenda Item 5

### **Work Session**

Discussion of Proposed FY2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Projects

### **Recommended Council Action**

None – Discussion only

### **Context with Key Issues**

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program provides flexible funding for a variety of activities that include neighborhood revitalization. Programming priorities, established by the Council with the adoption of Resolution No. 2016-16, limits the expenditure of CDBG funds to capital projects benefitting low and moderate income populations as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Montgomery County Department of Housing and Community Affairs, which administers the CDBG program on behalf of the HUD, has indicated that an estimated \$91,000 in CDBG funds will be allocated to the City in FY 2019. The actual grant award may vary depending upon the allocation of funding at the federal level.

Staff has requested the funds be set aside for various ADA streetscape improvements. Potential project sites include Maple Avenue between the Washington, D.C. boundary and Philadelphia Avenue, Willow Avenue and Spruce Avenue (Ward 1); Maple Avenue between Grant Avenue and Sligo Creek Parkway (Ward 4), and along various State Highways including MD 410-Ethan Allen Avenue (Ward 2 and Ward 3). The project meets the federal low and moderate income beneficiary requirements as the assumed beneficiaries of these improvements, individuals with disabilities and seniors, is a population that HUD presumes is lower income.

### **Council Priority**

Livable Community for All

### **Environmental Impact of Action**

N/A

### **Fiscal Impact of Action**

An estimated \$91,000 will be available for qualifying capital projects in FY 2019.

### **Racial Equity Impact of Action**

We do not believe this action will adversely impact any particular racial group.

### **Attachments and Links**

DRAFT Resolution Endorsing FY 2019 Community Development Block Grant Project

Introduced by:

**CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND**

**RESOLUTION 2018-XX**

**ENDORING FY2019 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROJECT**

**WHEREAS,** the City of Takoma Park participates in the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program; and

**WHEREAS,** the City anticipates receiving an estimated \$91,000 in FY2019 from Montgomery County Maryland's annual CDBG entitlement funding; and

**WHEREAS,** Resolution 2016-16, adopted by the Council on June 15, 2016, limits the expenditure of CDBG allocations to capital projects meeting CDBG criteria; and

**WHEREAS,** the Council has endorsed the use of CDBG funds for eligible streetscape and ADA improvements.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND** that the following capital project has been accepted for consideration for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding in FY18:

City of Takoma Park ADA and Streetscape Improvements	\$91,000
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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Manager is hereby authorized to forward the project to Montgomery County Department of Housing and Community Affairs for further review, to execute any documents, and take any action necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution including the reallocation of grant funds among the endorsed grantees in the event the City's FY2019 CDBG allocation is modified.

Adopted this \_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

**ATTEST:**

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Jessie Carpenter, CMC  
City Clerk