

## **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM**

# SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE 2024-2025 ACTION PLAN;

&

2022-2023 ACTION PLAN

To be considered by:

April 2, 2025

#### A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires all entitlement communities receiving Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, such as the City of Corona, to prepare and submit a Consolidated Plan every five years to establish a unified, strategic vision for community development, housing and economic development actions. The Consolidated Plan encompasses the analysis of local community needs and coordinates appropriate responses to those needs and priorities. The Corona City Council adopted its Five-Year Consolidated Plan for 2020-2024 on June 17, 2020.

The Consolidated Plan is carried out through Annual Action Plans, which provide a concise summary of the actions, activities, and the specific federal and non-federal resources that will be used each year to address the priority needs and specific goals identified by the Consolidated Plan. The Corona City Council adopted the most recent 2024-2025 Action Plan on June 5, 2024.

The purpose of a Substantial Amendment to the Action Plan is to provide residents with the opportunity to review proposed substantial changes to previously Approved Action Plan(s) and to offer comments on those changes.

Pursuant to the City of Corona Citizen Participation Plan adopted on June 3, 2020, a Substantial Amendment to an Annual Action Plan is required when a "substantial" change is proposed, which includes:

- Addition of a new project not previously identified in the Action Plan, without regard to funding source;
- The cancelation of an existing project identified in the Action Plan, without regard to funding source; or
- Changes in the use of CDBG funds from one eligible activity to another eligible activity meeting the following thresholds:
  - A net increase or decrease greater than 50% of the activity allocation if the allocation is \$50,000 or more as listed in a published Action Plan, or as amended;
  - A net increase or decrease greater than 100% of the activity allocation if the allocation is less than \$50,000 as listed in a published Action Plan or amended; or
  - A net increase or decrease in an activity allocation greater than \$300,000.

The Substantial Amendment No. 1 to the 2024-2025 Action Plan is necessary because the City is proposing to cancel an activity (Program Year 2024 Park Improvements Project Phase III) and transfer the funds to an already existing project (Program Year 2022 Victoria Park Improvements Phase I - Splash Pad) in excess of 50% of the project's original budget (funding budgets and reprogramming described in Section C of this amendment). This Substantial Amendment also involves amending the 2022-2023 Action Plan.

#### **B. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

A Notice of Public Hearing and the commencement of the 30-day public review period was published in the Weekly Sentinel on January 3, 2025, informing the public of the proposed Substantial Amendment and inviting comments at the public hearing. A secondary Notice to reschedule the Public Hearing and

the culmination of the public review period was published in the Weekly Sentinel on March 21, 2025. The public review period began on January 6, 2025 and ran through April 2, 2025. Citizens were able to review copies of the Substantial Amendment at the Corona Public Library, City Hall (City Clerk's Office and the Community Services Department) and on the City's website at <a href="Community Development Block">Community Development Block</a> Grant | City of Corona. On April 2, 2025, the Corona City Council will hear public comments regarding the Substantial Amendment.

### C. CHANGES TO THE 2022-2023 & 2024-2025 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN ACTIVITIES

This Substantial Amendment proposed to the following changes:

Project Name and Program Year	Current CBDG Budget	Proposed New CDBG Budget via Substantial Amendment
PY 2024 Park Improvements Project Phase III	\$613,249	\$0
PY 2022 Victoria Park Improvements Phase I	\$703,775	\$1,317,024