

PUBLIC HEARING MEETING
October 27, 2016, THURSDAY – 5:15 P.M.

The City of Texas City's Community Development Department will hold the Second of two annual public hearing meetings on Thursday October 27th, at 5:15 P.M. at the Texas City Hall Annex Building, 928 - 5th Ave. North.

The purpose of this meeting is to obtain citizen input in discussion of the City's Annual Action Plan application for block grant funding through the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD).

The City will apply for an estimated \$336,590 in federal funds for their 41st program year beginning October 1, 2016 and ending September 30, 2017. The City is proposing the following budget and activities.

ADMINISTRATION (\$67,000) – Provides for the overall administration of the CDBG program, including preparation and submission of required federal reports, consolidated plans, action plans and annual performance evaluation reports. Includes salary of the Program Coordinator and all administrative and miscellaneous office supplies to operate and carry out the CDBG Program.

PUBLIC SERVICE ACTIVITIES

NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN-UP (\$50,000) – Target Area Chelsea Manor: Owner-Occupied exterior repair and paint program for approximately six low and moderate income homeowners. Revitalization efforts of the neighborhood will consist of cleanup and removal of junk, trash, debris and overgrown vacant lots.

HOUSING ASSISTANCE ACTIVITIES

HOUSING REHABILITATION (\$59,000) – Owner-Occupied, Single-Family Residential - To assist approximately eight to ten (8-10) low to moderate income homeowners city-wide with minor and emergency code violation repairs such as roof replacement, electrical and plumbing repairs. Includes salary of one (1) rehabilitation specialist.

CODE ENFORCEMENT (\$60,590) – Costs incurred for inspections toward enforcement of city code violations in the targeted low and moderate income neighborhood of Chelsea Manor for abandoned vehicles, junk, trash and debris and overgrown grass, and other environmental hazards in the targeted neighborhood of decline; includes salary of one code enforcement officer.

SLUM/BLIGHT PREVENTION

DEMOLITION (\$100,000) – To demolish approximately thirty (30) vacant, condemned and deteriorated structures that are beyond repair on a spot basis city-wide, toward the prevention of blight/slum conditions that contribute toward neighborhood decline and decreased property values.

Citizens, public agencies and other interested parties are urged to attend and be a part of the decision making process concerning the development of proposed activities and projects related to the block grant program for the upcoming year.

The City can provide a handicapped van for handicapped individuals requesting transportation to and from the meeting by contacting the office of Community Development at 643-5731 at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.

Translation assistance in Spanish is also available for any non-English speaking resident who wishes to attend this hearing by contacting the office number above.

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Community Development Department

Dated: October 17, 2016