



Legislation Text

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SUBJECT: Public Hearing - Consideration of Approval of the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report for Program Year 2015 - 2016

REPORT IN BRIEF

Review and approve Housing Division activities as reported in the 2015-2016 Program Year Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER).

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Adopting **Resolution 2016-49**, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Merced, California, approving the 2015-2016 Program Year CAPER; and,
- B. Authorizing the City Manager to make minor modifications to the final CAPER document as necessary to implement the City Council's actions.

ALTERNATIVES

- 1. Approve, as recommended by staff; or,
- 2. Approve, subject to other than recommended by staff (identify specific findings and/or conditions amended to be addressed in the motion); or,
- 3. Deny; or,
- 4. Refer to the City Manager for reconsideration of specific items (specific items to be addressed in City Council motion); or,
- 5. Continue to a future City Council meeting (date and time to be specified in City Council motion).

AUTHORITY

Charter of the City of Merced, Section 405, 409, and 411 et seq. and Pursuant to 24 CFR 91.520, the City will submit the CAPER to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES

As provided for in the 2015-16 Adopted Budget

DISCUSSION

Staff is requesting Council consider approving the 2015-16 CAPER. The CAPER is a report card providing accomplishments during the 2015/16 fiscal year, and catalogs additional activities funded

through the Housing Division. The Housing Division uses a variety of funding sources with differing guidelines in order to achieve the goals outlined in the 5-Year Consolidated and Annual Action Plans. The Housing Division used the following grant funding sources during the past fiscal year:

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) (Federal)
- HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) (Federal)
- Program Income (generated from loan payoffs and property resale)
- Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) (Federal and State)

The common goal of these programs is to make Merced a more livable community. Significant resources are used to assist people in enjoying decent, safe, and affordable housing. Other community development efforts target community public safety, youth programs, recreation, public facilities, economic development, and neighborhood revitalization.

The Annual Action Plan outlines activities and programs, provides descriptions with goals and funding, and sets desired outcomes. The CAPER gives an overview of these programs with results of actual funds spent and goals met. In addition, the plan provides staff an opportunity to highlight changes and improvements to the program during the 2015-2016 fiscal year.

Some of the program accomplishments from the previous year include:

- The Housing Division invested \$1.2 Million dollars to the various Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnership Program Activities.
- With funds from the City, Habitat for Humanity was able to rehabilitate two (2) Homeowner homes.
- Provided seven (7) grants to community non-profit organizations.
- Provided Financial Assistance to six (6) first time homebuyers.
- Provided six (6) first time homebuyers loans through the CalHome Program.

HISTORY AND PAST ACTIONS

Each year the City of Merced prepares an Annual Action Plan for submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The framework for the Annual Action Plan finds its roots in the City of Merced 2015 - 2020 Consolidated Plan.

The CAPER is generally viewed as a report card for how the City performed in executing the HUD Annual Action Plan.

IMPACT ON CITY RESOURCES

No appropriation of funds is needed

ATTACHMENTS

1. Draft FY 2015/16 CAPER
2. Resolution
3. Stephen Leonard Park Poster
4. Habitat for Humanity Rehabilitation Poster
5. Community Infrastructure Poster #1
6. Community Infrastructure Poster #2