



Legislation Text

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SUBJECT: Set a Public Hearing for the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER)

REPORT IN BRIEF

Set a public hearing for Monday, September 17, 2018, to consider the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER).

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion setting a public hearing for Monday, September 17, 2018, to consider the Housing and Urban Development Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER).

ALTERNATIVES

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

AUTHORITY

Charter of the City of Merced, Section 200 et seq., of the City of Merced and Pursuant to 24 CFR 91.520 [Performance Reports] et seq., the City will submit the CAPER to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES

As provided for in the 2017-18 Adopted Budget and approved in the 2017 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Annual Action Plan.

DISCUSSION

Staff is requesting Council to set a public hearing for September 17, 2018, to consider the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER).

The CAPER describes activities and accomplishments identified in the 2017 HUD Annual Plan. Additionally, the CAPER lists goals and funds allocated to each activity for the fiscal year. The City used a variety of funding sources with differing guidelines to achieve the community's housing goals.

The CAPER is generally viewed as a report card for how the City performed in executing its previous year's Action Plan and how the Action Plan followed the current 5-year (2015-2020) Consolidated Plan.

The following are major programs within the plan:

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) (Federal)
- HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) (Federal)
- Program Income (from various Federal and State Programs)

Significant resources are used to assist people by providing decent, safe, and affordable housing. Other efforts target community safety, youth programs, recreation, public facilities, economic development, and neighborhood revitalization.

A draft version of the CAPER will be available for public review beginning August 31, 2018. To allow additional exposure and opportunity for public comment, it will be posted within the Housing Division's section on the City's website. Public Hearing Notices were published in both the Merced Sun-Star and Merced County Times and on the City of Merced's website.

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 *Consolidated Plan* is a five-year planning document, outlining the City's strategy for pursuing federal, state, and local resources to meet housing and community development needs of low- and moderate-income residents.

The City Council approves the submission of the HUD Annual Action Plan after a public hearing. The HUD Annual Action Plan for FY 2017 was adopted by the Merced City Council in April 2017 and amended in August 2017.

IMPACT ON CITY RESOURCES

No appropriation of general funds is needed.