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**Contract Request Template (Contracts; IGAs; Leases)**

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**Requesting Agency:** Office of Economic Development  
**Division:**

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**Item Title & Description:**

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**A resolution approving and providing for the execution of a proposed Grant Agreement between the City and County of Denver and the United States of America Department of Housing and Urban Development concerning the "Community Development Block Grant FY18" program and the funding therefor.**

Approves a performance grant agreement with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the 2018 allocations of \$6,859,369 through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program to improve housing and living conditions and expand economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons (201844783). The last regularly scheduled Council meeting within the 30-day review period is on 11-5-18. The Committee approved filing this item at its meeting on 10-3-18.

**Affected Council District(s) or citywide?** Citywide

**Contract Control Number:** 201844783

**Vendor/Contractor Name (including any "DBA"):** United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

**Type and Scope of services to be performed:**

The federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program was enacted in 1974 to provide block grant funding for community development. CDBG assists urban, suburban, and rural communities to improve housing and living conditions and expand economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons. CDBG helps to create jobs through the expansion and retention of businesses and is an important tool for helping local governments tackle serious challenges facing their communities.

Counties use the flexibility of CDBG funds to collaborate with private and nonprofit sector partners to develop and upgrade local housing, water, infrastructure and human services programs. Counties rely on CDBG allocation to meet critical community development needs. Across the country, these "local entitlement cities and counties" receive about 70 percent of CDBG funds, and states receive the remaining 30 percent. HUD determines the amount of each grant by using a formula including community need, poverty rates, population growth or lag measured in relationship to other metro areas, and housing issues, including the age of housing stock. Nationwide, CDBG provides annual grants on a formula basis to nearly 1,200 metro and county governments in addition to states.

Primarily through OED's annual issuance of a NOFA ("Notice of Funding Availability"), our grants have been made locally for a wide range of both housing as well as neighborhood development projects. Detail on these projects over a three-year window is available [here](https://www.denvergov.org/content/denvergov/en/denver-office-of-economic-development/partnerships.html) <https://www.denvergov.org/content/denvergov/en/denver-office-of-economic-development/partnerships.html>. Denver's awarded projects are funded through a variety of federal community development programs, including not just CDBG but also HOME Investment Partnerships and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) programs.

NOFA applications are evaluated and scored by OED staff, other city agency staff and community members. Community reviewers are chosen based on their knowledge and experience in the program areas of housing and neighborhood development. Awardees are selected based on their ability to achieve measurable outcomes supporting Mayor Hancock's priorities of economic mobility, children/education, transportation and housing. Evaluation criteria also scored each applicant's project plan, organizational capacity, financial capacity and prior performance when applicable.

The FY 2018 resolution funded CDBG nationally at \$3.3 billion, which is a 10% increase from the FY 2017 level. Despite that, grantees nationwide are anxious about the current administration's intent to decrease HUD's allocation amount in 2019 or eliminate some programs altogether.

CDBG allocations to Denver have decreased 28.6% since 2010. Here is the ten-year summary of Denver's CDBG allocations:

<b>Program</b>	<b>Program Year</b>	<b>Authorized Amount</b>
CDBG	2008	\$9,075,653.00
CDBG	2009	\$8,961,951.00
CDBG	2010	\$9,613,417.00
CDBG	2011	\$7,939,513.00

CDBG	2012	\$6,957,695.00
CDBG	2013	\$7,170,263.00
CDBG	2014	\$6,859,983.00
CDBG	2015	\$6,687,320.00
CDBG	2016	\$6,531,090.00
CDBG	2017	\$6,602,257.00
CDBG	2018	\$6,859,369.00

**Location (if applicable):**

**WBE/MBE/DBE goals that were applied, if applicable (construction, design, Airport concession contracts):**

**Are WBE/MBE/DBE goals met (if applicable)?**

**Is the contract new/a renewal/extension or amendment?**

**Was this contractor selected by competitive process or sole source?**

**For New contracts**

**Term of initial contract:** FY 2018

**Options for Renewal:**

**How many renewals (i.e. up to 2 renewals)?**

**Term of any renewals (i.e. 1 year each):**

**Cost of initial contract term:** \$6,859,369

**Cost of any renewals:**

**Total contract value council is approving if all renewals exercised:**

**For Amendments/Renewals Extensions:**

**Is this a change to cost/pricing; length of term; terms unrelated to time or price (List all that apply)?**

***If length changing***

**What was the length of the term of the original contract?**

**What is the length of the extension/renewal?**

**What is the revised total term of the contract?**

***If cost changing***

**What was the original value of the entire contract prior to this proposed change?**

**What is the value of the proposed change?**

**What is the new/revised total value including change?**

***If terms changing***

**Describe the change and the reason for it (i.e. compliance with state law, different way of doing business etc.)**