

**RESOLUTION NO. 4814**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS TO PARTICIPATE  
IN THE FFY2017 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)  
PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing was held by the City of Fairbanks on July 27, 2017, and a record of that meeting is attached; and

**WHEREAS**, community members expressed support to apply for funds to conduct a feasibility study and prepare plans for a day shelter in the City of Fairbanks, but the project was suspended; and

**WHEREAS**, community members had expressed support to purchase a platform fire engine; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fairbanks is eligible to apply for a grant in the amount of \$850,000 from the Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development under the CDBG program; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fairbanks is providing a match in the amount of \$450,000 from the Capital Fund;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council that the Mayor or his designee is hereby authorized to request funds from the CDBG Program and to negotiate and execute any and all documents required for granting and managing funds on behalf of the City of Fairbanks.

The Mayor or his designee is also authorized to execute subsequent amendments to said grant agreement to provide for adjustments to the project within the scope of services or tasks, based upon the needs of the project.


**PASSED and APPROVED this 6th Day of November 2017.**

  
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Jim Matherly, City Mayor

AYES: PASSED and APPROVED on the CONSENT AGENDA  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
APPROVED: November 6, 2017

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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D. Danyielle Snider, CMC, City Clerk  
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Paul J. Ewers, City Attorney

# CITY OF FAIRBANKS

## CDBG PUBLIC HEARING

JULY 27, 2017

## CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

2:00 p.m.

Carrie Peterson, Grants Administrator for the City of Fairbanks, opened the meeting to wrap up the Bjerremark Subdivision Revitalization Project, seek recommendations for projects and to select a project to apply for funding under the Alaska Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program.

Carrie Peterson informed the attendees that the FFY15 CDBG Block Grant Project in the Bjerremark Neighborhood was wrapping up and that construction had been completed with just a few clean-up items remaining and that we were closing out the project. She then turned the time over to Jackson Fox.

Jackson Fox presented an overview of the Bjerremark Project outlining the changes completed in the Bjerremark Neighborhood with the current CDBG funding. These changes included the following: traffic circles, sidewalks, signage, gateways, re-paving Bjerremark, diverters and radar speed signs.

Carrie Peterson called for comments regarding the Bjerremark Project: there were no comments.

As there were no comments Carrie announced that the meeting would shift from the closeout of the Bjerremark Project, to ideas for projects to apply for in the FFY17 grant period.

Carrie Peterson informed attendees that the CDBG is a federal program funded by the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and that the State of Alaska plans to award \$2.3 million in CDBG funds for FFY17. She explained that the State of Alaska is accepting applications from municipal government and cities for a single project with a maximum request of \$850,000 and recommended match of 25%. She also explained that the grants are awarded on a competitive basis and must benefit low and moderate income persons.

A list of eligible activities were presented and described from the FFY17 CDBG Application Handbook. Carrie Peterson explained that the City of Fairbanks would not seek projects involving special economic development due to the length of time it would take to accomplish the project or non-city owned construction of facilities due to the 20 year public use requirement.

Carrie Peterson informed the attendees that funds were used in previous years to construct ADA compliant sidewalks on 23<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, to build a homeless shelter for youth and to construct improvements to revitalize the Bjerremark Subdivision. She informed the attendees that one project was recommended for the purchase of a fire apparatus.

Ron Templeton shared information about the need for a platform fire engine. He pointed out that many low income people reside in apartment buildings that would be serviced by the platform truck if selected as the project.

Carrie Peterson requested additional recommendations. Additional recommendations were made by Mike Sanders the Homeless and Housing Coordinator for a feasibility study and planning towards a day shelter. He pointed out that a day shelter is necessary for the Fairbanks Community as most people residing in the shelters are required to leave the shelters during the day. He pointed out that a day shelter would allow the Homeless Coalition to utilize some of the space to centralize services for the homeless.

The attendees voted and recommended the Day Shelter planning and feasibility project to City Council for approval to apply for FFY17 CDBG funds. The hearing was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

**CITY OF FAIRBANKS**  
**FISCAL NOTE**

**I. REQUEST:**

Ordinance or Resolution No: 4814

Abbreviated Title: PARTICIPATION IN FFY17 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

Department(s): FIRE DEPARTMENT

Does the adoption of this ordinance or resolution authorize:

1) additional costs beyond the current adopted budget?      Yes \_\_\_\_\_      No   X  

2) additional support or maintenance costs?      Yes \_\_\_\_\_      No   X  

If yes, what is the estimate? see below

3) additional positions beyond the current adopted budget?      Yes \_\_\_\_\_      No   X  

If yes, how many positions? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, type of positions? \_\_\_\_\_ (F - Full Time, P - Part Time, T - Temporary)

**II. FINANCIAL DETAIL:**

PROJECTS:	Equipment	Building	Personnel	Total
Platform Fire Engine	\$1,300,000			\$1,300,000
				\$0
				\$0
				\$0
				\$0
				\$0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,300,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,300,000</b>

FUNDING SOURCE:	Equipment	Building	Personnel	Total
CDBG	\$850,000			\$850,000
Capital Fund	\$450,000			\$450,000
				\$0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,300,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,300,000</b>

The City of Fairbanks will maintain the Platform Fire Engine. The maintenance costs will be covered in the Fire Department General Budget and should be significantly lower than the maintenance costs for the 25 year old platform engine being replaced. The capital fund match of \$450,000 will come from \$250,000 committed in a prior budget and \$200,000 is requested in the 2018 budget.

Reviewed by Finance Department:      Initial   cp        Date   10/25/2017