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Reviewed By: City Manager [Signature] City Attorney [Signature] Finance [Signature] Other (Specify) _____

DATE: May 21, 2009
TO: City Council
FROM: Norma J. Owens, Grants Manager

Norma J. Owens

SUBJECT: Third Amendment to the FY 2008-2013 Consolidated Plan and FY 2008-2009 Annual Action Plan (The Plan) of the City of Oxnard to recognize the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-R) funding from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA).

RECOMMENDATION

That City Council:

1. Conduct a public hearing to receive comments on the proposed third amendment to The Plan and approve the award of \$735,792 in CDBG-R funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the ARRA.
2. Authorize the City Manager to submit the Council approved substantial amendment to HUD for approval.
3. After HUD approval of the third amendment, authorize the award of the funds to the Campus Park Gymnasium Project.
4. Authorize the City Manager to approve the special budget appropriation.

DISCUSSION

Background

The City Council approved the first amendment to the FY 2008-2013 Consolidated Plan and FY 2008-2009 Annual Action Plan on October 14, 2008. The amendment changed the allocation of funding between projects.

On February 17, 2009, the ARRA was signed into law. Included in the ARRA was an allocation of \$1,124,994, in Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP) funding and \$735,792 in CDBG-R funding. On April 21, 2009, the Council approved the second amendment to The Plan for the HPRP award.

The CDBG-R award requires a substantial amendment to The Plan. This third amendment to The Plan and the acceptance of the CDBG-R award also requires, by regulations, the following:

- Grantees are required to identify, upfront, the specific activities or projects intended to be funded with the CDBG-R dollars.
- Grantees are urged to use the funds for hard development costs associated with activities that promote energy efficiency and conservation through rehabilitation or retrofitting of existing buildings.
- Recipients shall give preferences to activities that can be started and completed expeditiously, including a goal of using at least 50% of the funds for activities that can be initiated not later than 120 calendar days after February 17, 2009.
- Priority shall be given to projects that can award contracts based on bids, within 120 calendar days from the date the funds are made available to recipients.

After carefully considering all City projects that are either proposed or underway, the project that best meets the criteria is a new phase of the Campus Park Gymnasium Project. Design work on the project has begun. On May 12, 2009, \$500,000 in FY 2009-2010 regular CDBG funding was approved. The combined total of \$1,235,792 (\$500,000 CDBG and \$735,792 CDBG-R) can be bid out and a contract awarded within the time period specified by the regulations. This funding will allow a significant portion of the Project to be completed, including lead based paint removal; and, will make more of the facility available to a variety of youth recreation activities including the Police Activity League.

The approval of the third amendment to The Plan will impact the FY 2008-2009 HUD funding as follows:

HUD FORMULA GRANTS FY 2008-2009						
DESCRIPTION	NEW FUNDING	CURRENT FUNDING				TOTAL
	CDBG-R	HPRP	CDBG	HOME	ESG	
Program Entitlement	\$735,792	\$1,124,994	\$2,708,769	\$1,039,262	\$121,107	\$5,729,924
Program Income	0	0	100,870	304,272	0	405,142
Reprogrammed Fund	0	0	173,294	398,000	0	571,294
TOTAL	\$735,792	\$1,124,994	\$2,982,933	\$1,741,534	\$121,107	\$6,706,360

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The CDBG-R funding in combination with the previously approved FY 2009-2010 regular CDBG allocation will allow for the next phase of rehabilitation improvements at the Campus Park Gym. These funds do not require a match and will not result in new permanent positions.

- Attachment 1 - Notice of 7-day Public Review
- Attachment 2 - Amendment packet to HUD

Note: Attachment #2, the Amendment packet to HUD, has been provided to City Council under separate cover. Copies for review are available at the Circulation Desk in the Library after 6:00 p.m. on Thursday prior to the Council meeting and in the City Clerk’s Office after 8:00 a.m. on Monday prior to the Council meeting.



**CITY OF OXNARD
NOTICE OF 7-DAY PUBLIC REVIEW
THIRD AMENDMENT OF THE FY 2008-2013 CONSOLIDATED PLAN
AND THE FY 2008-2009 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City has prepared the Third Amendment of the Fiscal Years 2008-2013 Consolidated Plan, and the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Annual Action Plan.

On February 17, 2009, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) was signed into law. Included in the ARRA was an allocation of \$735,792 to the City of Oxnard, under the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG-R) for FY 2008-2009.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the Administrator of the CDBG-R funds, requires at least a 7-day public review period and a submission of a substantial amendment and other required documents for the FY 2008-2009 Annual Action Plan, by June 5, 2009. The publication of this notice begins the public review period which will start on Monday, May 25, 2009 and conclude at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 1, 2009.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the third amendment will be presented to the City Council for approval on the following date:

DATE: June 2, 2009
LOCATION: 305 West Third Street, Oxnard, California 93030
City Council Chambers
TIME: 7:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as possible.

At this meeting, the City Council will receive public comments on the use of the \$735,792 in CDBG-R funds. The intent of the CDBG-R is to stimulate the economy through measures that modernize the Nation's infrastructure, improve energy efficiency, and expand educational opportunities and access to health care. Jurisdictions are expected to use the CDBG-R funds for hard development costs associated with infrastructure activities that provide basic services to residents or activities that promote energy efficiency and conservation through rehabilitation or retrofitting of existing buildings.

The City proposes to use the funds to continue the rehabilitation of Bannister Gymnasium in Campus Park once the amendment of the FY 2008-2009 Annual Action Plan has been adopted by City Council, and approved by HUD.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Copies of the amended pages of the Consolidated Plan and the Annual Action Plan will be available for public review at the following locations:

City of Oxnard Main Library
251 South "A" Street

City of Oxnard City Clerk's Office
305 West Third Street, First Floor

City of Oxnard Finance Department
300 West Third Street, Suite 302

The public is invited to submit written comments on the proposed amendment. All written comments related to this Amended Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan are to be submitted to the Grants Management Division of the Finance Department, **no later than 5:00 p.m., on June 1, 2009.**

Questions and written comments may be addressed to the following:

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ATTACHMENT NO. 1

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