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Commissioners: Ernesto “Neto” Guajardo
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SAN JUAN CITY COMMISSION

Location: San Juan Memorial Library
Multipurpose Meeting Room
1010 S. Standard
San Juan, Texas 78589
Tuesday, August 8, 2017

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
6:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

V. PRESENTATIONS

- A.** Introduction and Welcome to the City of San Juan, Consul of Mexico, Guillermo Ordorica R.
- B.** Presentation on Departmental Reports: Department of Planning and Zoning, Department of Parks and Recreation, San Juan Memorial Library and Department of Sanitation.(Ben Arjona, City Manager)
 - 1.** Planning and Zoning Monthly Report. (Xavier Cervantes, Director of Planning)
 - 2.** Parks and Recreation Monthly Report. (Patrick Willingham, Director of Parks and Recreation)

3. San Juan Memorial Library Monthly Report. (Armandina Sesin, Library Director)
4. Department of Sanitation Monthly Report. (Carmen Gonzalez, Director of Sanitation)

VI. PUBLIC HEARING/ORDINANCES

- A. Consider Adoption of an Ordinance in First Reading for the Voluntary Annexation of an 8.894-Acre Tract of Land out of the West Half of Lot 7, Block 47, Alamo Land and Sugar Company's Subdivision Located Along the North Side of Minnesota Road Halfway between Raul Longoria and Cesar Chavez Roads as Requested by Tax Ranch, LLC. (Xavier Cervantes, Director of Planning)
- B. Consider Adoption of an Ordinance in First Reading Authorizing the Naming of a Public Alley Inside the City Limits of San Juan as West 2 1/2 Drive in Order to Provide for More Distinctive Street Names in the Area and to Provide for More Efficient Emergency Responses. (Xavier Cervantes, Director of Planning)

VII. CONTRACTUALS/RESOLUTIONS

- A. Consider Authorizing City Manager to Enter Into a Policing Agreement Between Pharr-San Juan-Alamo Independent School District and the City of San Juan Police Department. (Juan Gonzalez, Chief of Police)
- B. Consider Adoption of an Interlocal Agreement between the County of Hidalgo and the City of San Juan Regarding the FY 2017 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds under Grant No. B-17-UC-48-0501. (Xavier Cervantes, Director of Planning)

VIII. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ALL THE FOLLOWING MATTERS:

- A. Consider the Approval of a Budget Amendment in the Amount of \$45,000.00 out of Federal Forfeiture Fund Balance of Police Department Federal Budget. (Juan Gonzalez, Chief of Police)
- B. Discussion and Consider Proposed Tax Rate for the City of San Juan for Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018 and Setting Public Hearing. (Leroy Gonzalez, Interim Finance Director)

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Consider an Ordinance in Second Reading for a Rezoning Request from Single-Family Residence District (R-S) to Multi-Family Residence District (R-MF) for a property legally described as a 10.00-acre tract of land out of Lot 3, Block 39, Alamo Land and Sugar Company's Subdivision, located approximately a quarter of a mile West from Cesar Chavez Road along the South side of Sioux Road, as Requested by Omar Rios. (Xavier Cervantes, Director of Planning)

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. The San Juan City Commission will now go into Closed Session Pursuant to the Provision of Chapter 551, Subchapter D, Exceptions to Requirements that Meetings be Open Texas Government Code §550.071 (Consultation with Attorney) and Open Texas Government Code §551.087 (Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations) in accordance with:
 - 1. To Discuss or Deliberate Current, Future and or Pending Projects Regarding Commercial or Finance Information Which the EDC is Conducting Economic Development Negotiation.

XI. RECONVENE

- A. The City Commission will reconvene in Open Session to take necessary action, if any, in accordance with Chapter 551, Open meetings, Subchapter E, Procedures Relating to Closed Meeting, §551, Requirements to Vote or Take Final Action in Open Meeting.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the above notice of the Regular Called Meeting of the City of San Juan is true and correct; and that I posted such notice on the bulletin board. A place convenient and readily accessible to the public on the in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act (Tex. Gov't. Code §551-041 - §551.050).

DIANA CAVAZOS
CITY SECRETARY
CITY OF SAN JUAN, TEXAS

CERTIFICATION OF REMOVAL

I certify that the agenda of items to be considered by the City Commission was removed by the City Secretary's Office from the San Juan City Hall bulletin area on the the _____ of _____, 2017.

OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY



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"The Friendly City"

MEMORANDUM

TO: Benjamin Arjona, City Manager
FROM: Xavier Cervantes, Director of Planning XC
DATE: August 2, 2017
SUBJECT: July 2017 Report

The City of San Juan Planning Department is busy processing subdivision plats, rezoning applications, applications for special/conditional use permits, applications for variances and undertaking other duties as listed below.

- 58 building permits were issued with a \$1,588,809.00 in total valuation.
- 290 garage sale permits were issued (\$2,290.00 in revenues).
- Provided customer service and support to 1,432 people and handled approximately 985 calls.
- The building inspectors made approximately 524 inspections.
- Nine (9) permits were issued for new houses.
- Provided customer service and handled approximately 121 calls regarding animal control.

SUBDIVISIONS IN PROCESS

- Minnesota Vegas Ranches Phase 1

NEW BUSINESSES OPENING IN THE CITY DURING THIS MONTH

- La Cocina de Mama Restaurant at 2100 N. Raul Longoria Rd.

SUBSTANTIAL BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED OR PROCESSED IN THE PAST MONTH

- Pueblo Tires - issued
- Valencia Commercial Plaza - processed
- Porsche Dealership - processed

CONDITIONAL AND SPECIAL USE PERMITS IN PROCESS

- Bar at commercial plaza at 302 E. US Business 83
- Alcohol sales at SJ Mart at the corner of First Street and Nebraska Avenue

REZONING APPLICATIONS IN PROCESS

- Rezoning to apartments along E. Sioux Road.

VARIANCE APPLICATIONS IN PROCESS

- Setback encroachment at 1105 Sunset Street.

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ORDINANCES IN PROCESS

- Sprinkler system in coordination with Utilities Department.
- Alarm systems in coordination with Police and Fire Chiefs.

PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING PROJECT

Bi-monthly meetings are taking place with the architects and the building contractor. The project is scheduled to be completed in August or September, 2017.

EASEMENTS

The Department worked with the Project Engineer and the Utilities Director to obtain the necessary easements to undertake the First Time Sewer Connections Project scheduled to commence in the Summer or Fall of 2017. Forty (40) easements were obtained from property owners at no cost to the City.

DAVIS-BACON REGULATIONS

The Planning Department conducts employee wage interviews and reviews payroll reports to make sure the project contractors and subcontractors are in compliance with the Davis-Bacon Federal Act. At this time the only project that is impacted by this Act because federal funds are involved is the Water Plant # 2 Expansion Project.

STORMWATER REGULATIONS

The Department is the Stormwater Manager for the City of San Juan. The City of San Juan is a member of the Rio Grande Valley Stormwater Taskforce that is now coordinated by UTRGV. The department ensures the City is in compliance with all TCEQ and EPA laws regarding stormwater discharge. Regional meetings are attended regularly to keep track of this task.

METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

The Department represents the City of San Juan in the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Technical Advisory Committee for County-wide transportation planning. Meetings are attended monthly.

OPERATION CRACKDOWN

The Department is very involved in this program in conjunction with the San Juan Police Department and the Public Works Department to tear down unsafe structures that augment crime in the City neighborhoods. Twenty-five (25) structures have been identified as unsafe and eleven (11) have been torn down since the start of the operation in February 2015. The demolitions are handled by the Public Works Department. Staff is working with our new tax attorneys to get more unsafe structures under tax foreclosure to allow city personnel to demolish them.

HIDALGO COUNTY URBAN COUNTY PROGRAM

The Fiscal Year 29 (2016) project includes paving improvements along Coconut, Pullin, Hooper and Salazar Streets (Capri Subdivision). The project went out for bids already and the bid opening took place on June 7, 2017. A pre-construction meeting was held on Wednesday July 5, 2017. The project should be completed by September or October of 2017.

The Fiscal Year 30 (2017) project includes paving improvements in the Clark Terrace Phase 1 & 2 Subdivisions. The documents were submitted on time to start the advertisements and the environmental

review. If everything goes according to schedule the project is expected to be completed by the Spring or Summer of 2018.

The Fiscal Year 31 (2018) project was selected by the City Commission during the July 25, 2017 meeting to be the repaving of Sunset Drive and Monica Street in the North end of the City. If everything goes according to schedule the project is expected to be completed by the Spring or Summer of 2019.

PASEO DE LAS FLORES DRAINAGE PROJECT

The Department is the manager for this project. The project was awarded to Bearkat Construction for \$882,282.00. The Notice to Proceed was issued on July 7, 2016. The project is 98 percent complete at this time. The project should be completed in August, 2017.

PAVING IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT PHASE 1

The Department is the manager for this project. Perez Consulting Engineers is the firm that was selected by the City Commission to conduct the engineering. The engineering contract was signed on December 15, 2016. The awarding of the bids went before the City Commission during their May 23 meeting and the project was awarded to 2GS, LLC dba Earthworks Enterprise out of Penitas, Texas in the amount of \$1,425,557.75. The project commenced on Monday June 26, 2017 and is 20 percent complete. The project is expected to be completed in November or December, 2017.

PAVING IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT PHASE 2

\$1.87 million is now available for additional street improvements. A contract needs to be negotiated with an engineering firm to get the project started. The \$1.87 million includes engineering, surveying and geotechnical fees. An engineering contract for this project should go before the City Commission for approval during the August 22, 2017 meeting.

JULY 2017 MONTHLY REPORT

Activity	Total	Valuation	Fees
<i>Commercial</i>	1	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 2,332.62
<i>Apartment</i>	0	\$ -	\$ -
<i>New Residence</i>	9	\$ 697,895.00	\$ 3,441.28
<i>Additions</i>	0	\$ -	\$ -
<i>Repair/Renew/Remodel/Re-Inspect</i>	22	\$ 79,200.00	\$ 1,200.97
<i>House Moving</i>	2	\$ 49,500.00	\$ 220.00
<i>Mobile Homes</i>	0	\$ -	\$ -
<i>Carports/D-walks/Sidewalk/Concrete</i>	5	\$ 6,462.00	\$ 198.26
<i>Fences</i>	7	\$ 12,352.00	\$ 178.47
<i>Storage Rooms/Porches/Signs</i>	10	\$ 561,400.00	\$ 2,014.88
<i>Misc.</i>	2	\$ 32,000.00	\$ 177.00
Total Permits	58	\$ 1,588,809.00	\$ 9,763.48
<i>Plumbing</i>	35	\$ -	\$ 2,775.00
<i>Electrical</i>	39	\$ -	\$ 3,464.00
<i>Mechanical</i>	18	\$ -	\$ 1,275.00
<i>Electrical Licenses</i>	2	\$ -	\$ 120.00
<i>Occupational Licenses</i>	11	\$ -	\$ 440.00
<i>Demolitions</i>	1	\$ -	\$ 100.00
<i>Garage Sales</i>	290	\$ -	\$ 2,900.00
Total Permit:	396		\$ 11,074.00
Grand Total:	454	\$ 1,588,809.00	\$ 20,837.48

Code Enforcement

July 2017 Report

I. Cano & R. Ureste, Code Enforcement

Inspections Department

July 2017 Report

A. Jaramillo, B. Mata & J. Estrada Building Inspectors

Illegal Dumping	7	Setbacks	6
Work Orders	28	Foundation	15
Commercial, Abandoned & Junked Vehicles	22	CSI /Backflow	0
Garage Sale Signs & W/out Permits	3	Nail Pattern	18
Rubbish	6	Framing/Poly-Seal/Windstorm	22
Banners & Temp. Signs	3	Rough Electrical	50
Fowl Odor	1	Rough Plumbing	28
Building w/o Permit	7	Rough Mechanical	12
Certified Letters	21	Vents & Pipes	16
Complaints Filed in Court	1	Sewer	16
Towed, Abandoned & Junked Vehicles	5	Gas	7
Street Vendor	2	Driveway/Sidewalk	33
Conducting Business in Residence	2	Insulation	12
		Infiltration	22
Total Code Enforcement Activities	108	Final	41
		Occupational Inspection	14
		Mobile Home Inspection	0
Zoila Martinez & Janie Soto		House Inspection	0
		Plan Review	64
		Permit Sign Off	65
		Other	83
Total In-Person	1432		
Total Call-in's	985		
Animal Control Calls	121		
		Total Activities	524



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Benjamin Arjona, City Manager

FROM: Benjamin Arjona, City Manager

DATE: 08/02/2017

SUBJECT: Parks and Recreation Monthly Report. (Patrick Willingham, Director of Parks and Recreation)

Parks Division staff continues to maintain our city parks and landscape areas as needed. This past month parks personnel began preparing our ballparks for the off season. Summer fertilization and a structured watering program were enacted so that we continue to properly maintain the grounds. At Trevino Park, the park building was given a fresh coat of paint. Sprinklers at this location as well as several others throughout the city were fixed and corrected so that they adhere to the city wide watering program. Also, this month, staff helped to prepare San Juan Municipal Park for the 1st Annual 4th of July City Celebration.

Events Division-Ruben Rodriguez coordinated end of the summer procedures for programs and staff. Our summer recital was held on Tuesday, July 18, 2017 at the PSJA High School Performing Arts Building. In addition, Ruben has directed staff to do a complete inventory of all equipment and supplies that pertains to parks and recreation in preparation for the upcoming fall sports season. This past month Ruben also played a critical role in coordinating our 4th of July event that was great success.

Recreation Division-staff spent most of the month coordinating the three World Series qualifying teams for their respective trips outside the Rio Grande Valley. Our teams represented the City of San Juan very well at their respective tournaments. Our 6U tee-ball team was eliminated 17-16 in the quarter-final round in Youngsville, La., while both our 8U and 12U girls fast pitch teams finished in 5th place out of 16 teams in their tournament. The latter part of the month staff has begun working on advertising and registration for our upcoming football and volleyball season.

Maintenance Division-staff continues to provide professional maintenance and

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custodial services throughout the city. Mr. Govea has been servicing several units throughout the city this month washing out and replacing condenser coils so that the units are functioning properly during the hot summer months. In addition, the system over at the fire department was updated and is operational at full capacity. Over all preventive maintenance is being done throughout the city so we can limit the amount of damage done to our air conditioning units over the summer season.

The City of San Juan Parks and Recreation Department has had a very successful summer season. We introduced a new program that consisted of archery, bird watching and photography. This was a partnership with the Santa Ana Wildlife Refuge and was a great program for the kids. Currently, we are preparing for the upcoming fall season and look forward to servicing our community well.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Benjamin Arjona, City Manager
FROM: Armandina Sesín, Library Director
DATE: August 1, 2017
SUBJECT: July Monthly Report

Enclosed is the July monthly report including statistics and programs:

For the month of July we had 5,016 visitors. Out of those visitors, 2,005 were here for computer use only. We had 143 new patrons added to our circulation system. We requested and received twenty three (23) Interlibrary Loans (ILL). The library checked out a total of 1,947 items both adult and children's. We had 283 in-house circulation items. We helped the public with an estimated 753 reference/informational questions. We had 26 children's programs with an attendance of 138 people. The monthly amount deposited was \$1,791.59 both fines and fees.

Please see attached statistical report.

During the month of July:

- Attended the Directors' meetings
- Attended the City Commission meeting
- Went to City Hall to make the weekly money deposits for the library
- Attended a webinar for E-Rate form 470
- Proctor a student from Allied Business Schools
- Took 10 vacation days
- Attended the City Commission Budget Workshop
- Managed the day to day operations of the San Juan Memorial Library

Meetings to be held in August, 2017

Multipurpose Room

Civil Service Exam, August 1st
Planning & Zoning meetings, August 3rd & 17th
City Commission meetings, August 8th & 22nd
Keep San Juan Beautiful meeting, August 9th
Purchasing risk Management, August 10th & 11th
Directors' Meeting, August 14th & 28th
Civil service Exam, August 23rd
Small Business Administration (SBA), August 29th, 30th, & 31st
EDC Board meeting, August 31st

Training Room:

Planning & Zoning Webinar, August 3rd
Computer classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from August 1st to August 31st

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**San Juan Memorial Library
July 2017 Statistics**

Statistics	
Total Visitors	4,672
Computer Users	2,176
Total Checkouts	2,442
In-House Use	261
Inter-Library Loans	30
New Patrons	95
Reference\ Informational Questions	610
Children's Programs	25
Attendance	158

Multipurpose Room Reservations	Attendance
4th Special Called Meeting	7
5th Summer Lunch Program	9
6th Summer Lunch Program	10
6th Planning & Zoning	14
7th Summer Lunch Program	9
10th Parks & Rec - Executive Room	6
11th Summer Reading Program	17
11th Summer Lunch Program	19
11th City Commission	120
12th Summer Reading Program	15
12th Summer Lunch Program	20
13th Summer Reading Program	15
13th Summer Lunch Program	23
14th Summer Reading Program	17
14th Summer Lunch Program	22
17th Directors Meeting	14
18th Summer Reading Program	15
18th Summer Lunch Program	19
19th Summer Reading Program	15
19th Summer Lunch Program	18
20th City Manager - Executive Room	8
20th Summer Reading Program	17
20th Summer Lunch Program	19
20th EDC Meeting	10
21st Summer Reading Program	17
21st Summer Lunch Program	25
24th Directors Meeting	13
24th Kid's Learning Center	10
25th Summer Reading Program	14
25th Summer Lunch Program	20
26th Summer Reading Program	15
26th Summer Lunch Program	20
27th Summer Reading Program	17
27th Summer Lunch Program	25
28th End of Summer Reading Program	25
28th Summer Lunch Program	28

Checkouts	
DVDs	732
Books Juvenile	1,445
Books Adult	265
Total	2,442

WiFi Usage	
LibGuest	616
LibStaff	29
LibAdmin	0
Total	645

Study Room Attendance	
Study Rooms	108

Facebook Page	
Likes	7
Visitors	32

SJML Homepage	
Visitors	50,170

Deposits	
Fines	\$ 688.23
Copies	\$ 1,304.25
Total	\$ 1,992.48

M.R. Reservations (cont.)	Attendance
31st Budget Workshop	19
Total	720

Training Room Reservations	Attendance
11th Computer Classes	5
13th Computer Classes	5
18th Computer Classes	5
20th Computer Classes	4
25th Computer Classes	5
26th Projector Use	1
27th Computer Classes	5
Total	30

Computer Classes	
Attendance	29
Total	29

**San Juan Memorial Library
July 2017 Statistics**

31st Directors Meeting	14
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Youth & Children's Programs/Attendance

Date	Program	Attendance
Tuesday, July 04, 2017	Coloring	7
Wednesday, July 05, 2017	Movie	4
Wednesday, July 05, 2017	Coloring	4
Thursday, July 06, 2017	Coloring	6
Friday, July 07, 2017	Coloring	3
Tuesday, July 11, 2017	Coloring	6
Tuesday, July 11, 2017	Movie	3
Wednesday, July 12, 2017	Coloring	10
Thursday, July 13, 2017	Coloring	4
Thursday, July 13, 2017	Movie	6
Friday, July 14, 2017	Coloring	9
Saturday, July 15, 2017	Story Time/Craft	7
Saturday, July 15, 2017	Movie	7
Tuesday, July 18, 2017	Coloring	8
Tuesday, July 18, 2017	Homework	2
Wednesday, July 19, 2017	Toddler Time	4
Wednesday, July 19, 2017	Coloring	6
Thursday, July 20, 2017	Coloring	7
Friday, July 20, 2017	Coloring	7
Monday, July 24, 2017	Kids Learning Center	8
Tuesday, July 25, 2017	Coloring	5
Wednesday, July 26, 2017	Coloring	7
Thursday, July 27, 2017	Movie	8
Thursday, July 27, 2017	Coloring	9
Friday, July 28, 2017	Coloring	4
Total	25	151



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Benjamin Arjona, City Manager

FROM: Benjamin Arjona, City Manager

DATE: 08/02/2017

SUBJECT: Department of Sanitation Monthly Report. (Carmen Gonzalez, Director of Sanitation)

SANITATION DEPARTMENT

- Rush Truck informed me on the progress of the semi-burnt truck that should be ready within a week. Two (2) new garbage trucks have been delivered; they have been insured, put on the appropriate unit number put on and waiting for City of San Juan decals. The other truck is at Rush Truck being inspected and should be delivered August 1st. When the three (3) trash trucks are completed with logos and unit numbers, I would like to have a photo shoot with the City Commission at the library to put a public service announcement in the newspaper to show how the City of San Juan taxes are at work. I will include the two (2) 2016 trash trucks and the 2016 Street Sweeper for a total of six (6) vehicles.
- The department continues to document garbage containers that are not picked up; the drivers are calling in or taking pictures as to why the containers are left behind. The department continues tagging residents that are not in compliance with the garbage ordinance.
- There are two (2) employees dedicated to checking garbage containers to ensure that the residents are getting billed appropriately. As for the North Alamo Residents, our city staff is finding that there are several residents that are paying for one container but receiving city services for two (2) or more containers. Before picking up the extra containers, staff verifies with North Alamo Water the number of containers they are paying for, when verified, the employees are sent to advise and pick up the extra containers.
- Brush pickup was on schedule on the southeast side and was completed five (5) days ahead of schedule. The brush schedule for the northeast side begins August 1 – 15 and pick up for northwest side begins August 16 - 30. The brush crew continues to gives out brush schedule to those residents that cut their trees after the brush has been picked up. The department is providing a one-time courtesy pickup; by giving the residents the brush schedule and courtesy pick up, the brush complains are now

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minimal.

- Staff has begun to mulch the brush that is free of debris; this has minimized the trip to the landfill, fuel cost, vehicle maintenance and travel time. Unfortunately, the mulch is too big for the use at the parks and wetlands. Staff will be advertising in the Advance News the schedule for brush pick up in order to provide better service to the residents.

CENTRAL GARAGE

- Mechanics are keeping up with the repairs of all City vehicles, tractor mowers and other heavy equipment. For the last three (3) months, the trash trucks have seen fewer repairs as the vehicles are checked daily by the employees before they begin their routes and at the end of the week they wash and grease the trucks. The mechanics are also providing the Parks Department with inspection on all their vehicles to see if repairs are needed. The head mechanic will begin a project to take a trash truck that has no use and had been declared surplus a couple of years ago and will convert it into a roll-off truck. The body and fender employee is fixing broken 30 cubic yard containers, mowers, weed eaters and commercial containers. The employee will begin to paint the trucks and change logos to ensure the trucks look presentable.

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STREETS DEPARTMENT

- The mowing crew is working on the main streets as-well-as residential areas. There are two (2) crews doing right-of-ways, one on the south side and the other on the north side.
- Repair of streets/alleys is continuous. The crew continues with repairing main streets and the residential neighborhoods. There is a crew that is dedicated to repairing the roads in the alleys.
- Street signs are replaced when the signs are either reported or the street crew sees a sign that requires replacement. Staff has been putting up "No Dumping Signs" around town in an effort to try and curb the illegal dumping of tires, brush and junk.
- The sweeper continues to sweep around the City of San Juan daily. CDL employees are being trained on the sweeper.
- A crew has been cleaning the storm drains at the Housing Authority to try and reduce the flooding in that area.
- The streets crew will begin preparation to repair the entrance of the post office.

MISCELLANEOUS

- The City fumigated on the south side of town and should be finishing the north side by the end of August.
- Demolitions of four (4) dilapidated homes have been completed.

AGENDA ITEM AND RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY
CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 8, 2017

Consider Adoption of an Ordinance in First Reading for the Voluntary Annexation of an 8.894-Acre Tract of Land out of the West Half of Lot 7, Block 47, Alamo Land and Sugar Company's Subdivision Located Along the North Side of Minnesota Road Halfway between Raul Longoria and Cesar Chavez Roads as Requested by Tax Ranch, LLC. (Xavier Cervantes, Director of Planning)

STAFF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Planning Department is processing a residential subdivision along the North side of Minnesota Road between Raul Longoria and Cesar Chavez Road that should be completed and recorded in a few months. The subdivision went before the City Commission for preliminary and final plat approval during the February 14, 2017 meeting. The proposed subdivision is just outside the city limits within the City of San Juan's Extraterritorial Jurisdiction (ETJ). To help simplify the process and to comply with the City subdivision requirements the developer is requesting annexation of the property to the City of San Juan.

The annexation of the subdivision will increase the City's tax base since the homes that will be constructed at the site will generate additional property taxes for the community along with sewer and garbage revenues.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the annexation ordinance in first reading as recommended by staff.

PREPARED BY:

Xavier Cervantes,
Director of Planning
and Zoning

APPROVED BY:

Benjamin Arjona, City
Manager

ORDINANCE NO. 17-

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION ON CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF SAN JUAN, TEXAS; AND THE ANNEXATION OF AN 8.894 ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF THE WEST HALF OF LOT 7, BLOCK 47, ALAMO LAND AND SUGAR COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN VOLUME 1, PAGES 24-26, MAP RECORDS, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS, AND ACCORDING TO SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED RECORDED UNDER COUNTY CLERK'S DOCUMENT NUMBER 2158186, OFFICIAL RECORDS, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS.

WHEREAS, Section 43.028 of the Texas Local Government Code provides for an alternate to the standard annexation proceedings where the property owner petitions for annexation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners in the adoption of this ordinance finds that the petition for annexation has been properly filed under Section 43.028 and that the property to be annexed is one-half mile or less in width and is contiguous to the city limits of San Juan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners finds that the petition for annexation has been on file with the City of San Juan for greater than five but less than thirty days in accordance with the provisions of Section 43.028 of the Local Government Code.

WHEREAS, two (2) public hearings were conducted after proper notice on Wednesday July 19, 2017 as required by State Law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN JUAN, THAT;

SECTION I: The following described land and territory adjacent to and adjoining the City of San Juan, Texas is hereby added and annexed to the City of San Juan, Texas, and the property herein described is altered and amended so as to include such areas within the corporate limits of the City of San Juan. The description of the property to be annexed is as follows:

AN 8.894 ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF THE WEST HALF OF LOT 7, BLOCK 47, ALAMO LAND AND SUGAR COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN VOLUME 1, PAGES 24-26, MAP RECORDS, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS, AND ACCORDING TO SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED RECORDED UNDER COUNTY CLERK'S DOCUMENT NUMBER 2158186, OFFICIAL RECORDS, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED BY METES AND BOUNDS AS FOLLOWS.

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BEARINGS ARE IN ACCORDANCE WITH LAS PALMAS ESTATES SUBDIVISION, RECORDED IN VOLUME 24, PAGE 167-A, MAP RECORDS, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS and as shown in Exhibit "A".

SECTION II: The service plans for the above tract have not been prepared and have been waived by the property owner of the above referenced property and are not required under the provisions of Sections 43.028 and furthermore, that the annexation procedures heretofore adopted for the City of San Juan of this ordinance and the resolution for the service plan is not required for such subdivision, as the subdivision is being annexed under provisions of Section 43.028 of the Local Government Code.

SECTION III: The herein above described property and the area so annexed shall be a part of the City of San Juan, Texas and the property so added hereby shall bear its pro rata share of taxes levied by the City of San Juan, Texas, and inhabitants thereof shall be entitled to all of the rights and privileges of the citizens of San Juan, Texas, in areas having similar characteristics of topography, land utilization and population density, and shall be bound by the acts ordinances, resolutions and regulations of the City of San Juan, Texas.

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SECTION VI: Upon the approval of the second and final reading hereof, the City Secretary of the City of San Juan is hereby authorized and directed to cause a true and correct copy of the caption of this ordinance, including the general description of the property annexed to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in San Juan, Texas.

SECTION VII: If any part, phrase or sentence of this Ordinance is held void or unconstitutional by a Court or competent jurisdiction, or if any tract of land or portion of any tract of land hereby annexed shall be held to be ineligible for annexation or wrongfully annexed,

the remaining portions of this Ordinance and the remaining tracts so annexed shall be considered severable and shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION VIII: In accomplishing the annexation of the territory annexed by this Ordinance, the City of San Juan has strictly followed the provisions of State Law and the cases as they apply to annexations and any possible deviation from special provisions was unintentional and not material to the accomplishment of this annexation.

PASSED and **APPROVED** on first reading on the 8th day of August, 2017.

PASSED and **APPROVED** on second reading on the 22nd day of August, 2017.

CITY OF SAN JUAN

MARIO GARZA, Mayor

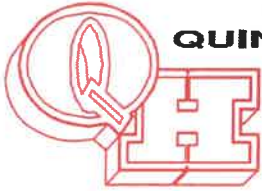
ATTEST:

DIANA CAVAZOS, City Secretary

APPROVED BY:

Palacios, Garza & Thompson, P.C.

City Attorney



QUINTANILLA, HEADLEY AND ASSOCIATES, INC.

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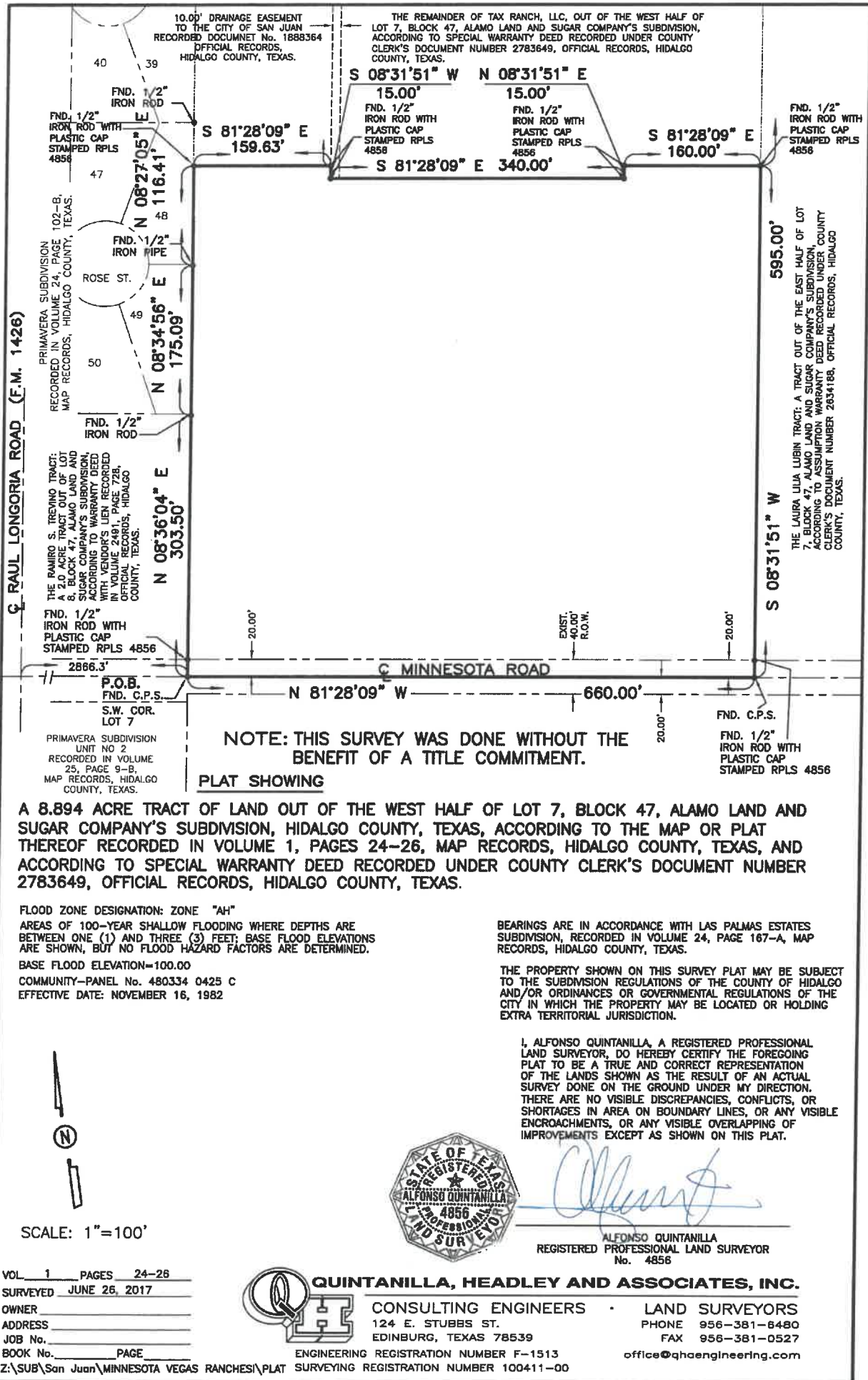
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DATE PREPARED: JUNE 26, 2017


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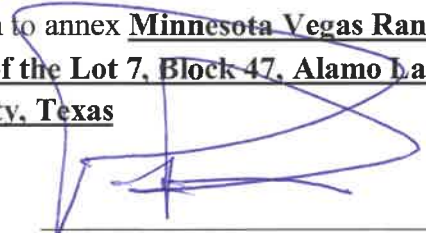
Exhibit "A"



PETITION FOR ANNEXATION

To the Mayor and City Council, City of San Juan:

The undersigned, owner of land or representative of the majority of landowners hereby petitions the City Council of the City of San Juan to annex Minnesota Vegas Ranches Phase I being A 8.894 Acre tract of land out of the Lot 7, Block 47, Alamo Land's Sugar Company's Subdivision, Hidalgo County, Texas



Tax Ranch, LLC
Richard A. Garza

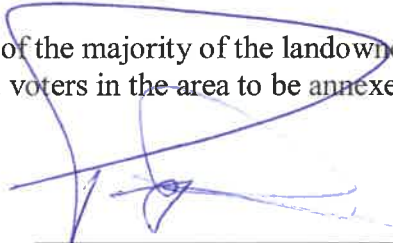
STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF HIDALGO §

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day appeared Richard A. Garza who stated upon his oath the following:

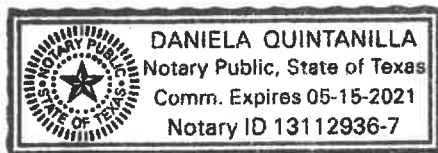
My name is Richard A. Garza and I am the agent of the majority of the landowners.
There are no residents nor are there any qualified voters in the area to be annexed.

Further affiant saith not.



Tax Ranch, LLC
Richard A. Garza

SWORN TO and subscribed before me on the 26 day of June, 20 17.

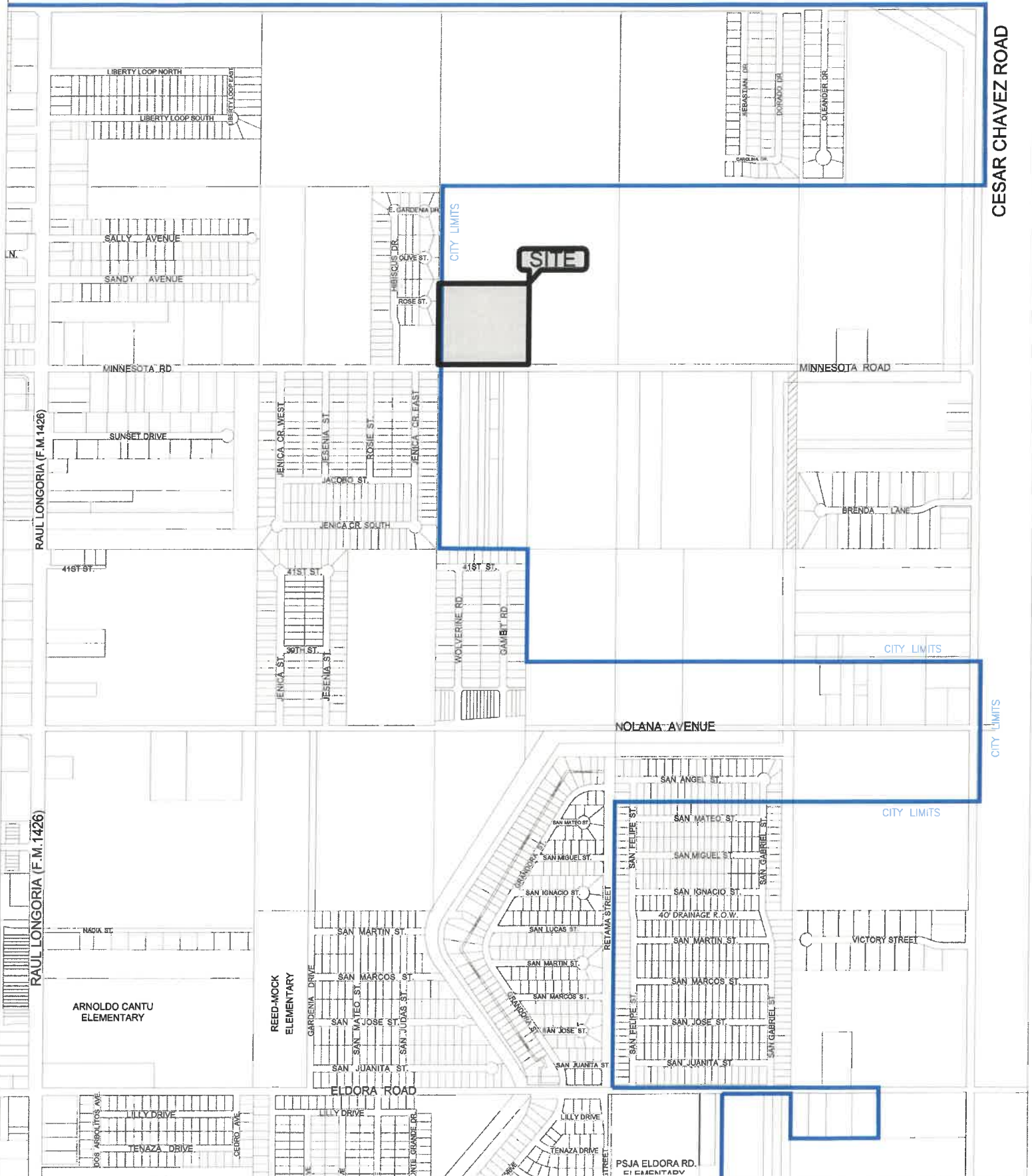




Notary Public in Hidalgo County, Texas

OWASSA ROAD

CESAR CHAVEZ ROAD



Legend

-  CITY LIMITS
-  Proposed area

Preliminary and Final Plat Approval of the Minnesota Vegas Ranches Phase I Subdivision being a 8.894-acre tract of land out of Lot 7, Block 47, Alamo Land and Sugar Company's Subdivision, located approximately a half of a mile East of Raul Longoria Road, along the North side of Minnesota Road, as Requested by Quintanilla, Headley and Associates, Inc.



AGENDA ITEM AND RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY
CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 8, 2017

Consider Adoption of an Ordinance in First Reading Authorizing the Naming of a Public Alley Inside the City Limits of San Juan as West 2 1/2 Drive in Order to Provide for More Distinctive Street Names in the Area and to Provide for More Efficient Emergency Responses. (Xavier Cervantes, Director of Planning)

STAFF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

This ordinance is being proposed in an effort to address confusion with the addressing along the area between 2nd and 3rd Streets and between San Antonio and Standard Avenues. Block 7 of the San Juan Original Townsite Subdivision where this block is located was split-up many years ago by the subdivision developer. This resulted in some residential lots only having frontage to a public alley way. In case of an emergency personnel will have a hard time finding the location of the houses located in these alley-fronting lots.

After consulting with the Lower Rio Grande Development Council – 911 Division personnel from the agency recommend for the alley to have an official street name. Once this is done after the adoption of this ordinance the residents along this alley way will be given an updated new physical address. This will result in the city dispatchers knowing exactly where to send personnel if the residents call from that area.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the ordinance in first reading as recommended by staff.

PREPARED BY:

Xavier Cervantes,
Director of Planning
and Zoning

APPROVED BY:

Benjamin Arjona, City
Manager

ORDINANCE NO. 17-

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE NAMING OF A
PUBLIC ALLEY INSIDE THE CITY LIMITS OF SAN JUAN
AS WEST 2 ½ DRIVE IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FOR MORE
DISTINCTIVE STREET NAMES IN THE AREA AND TO
PROVIDE FOR MORE EFFICIENT EMERGENCY
RESPONSES**

WHEREAS, the properties between 2nd and 3rd Streets and between Standard and San Antonio Avenue are a part of the San Juan Original Townsite Subdivision but were split within that block many years ago resulting in split lots with some lots having frontage to a public alleyway only.

WHEREAS, unless the properties with frontage to an alleyway only have an official street designation personnel will have a difficult time finding the residences along there during an emergency;

WHEREAS, after proper coordination with the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council (LRGVDC) 911 Division it was decided that a proper street name for the alley would be West 2 ½ Drive; and

WHEREAS, a public meeting was conducted after proper notice on Thursday July 20, 2017 to obtain feedback from the affected property owners.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SAN JUAN, TEXAS, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The public alleyway between 2nd and 3rd Streets and between Standard and San Antonio Avenues shall be officially named West 2 ½ Drive as shown in Exhibit "A"

SECTION 2. Property owners with frontage along this alleyway shall adjust their address as directed by the City of San Juan Planning Department in coordination with the LRGVDC 911 Division.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall be published in the official newspaper of the City of San Juan, Texas, as provided by law, and shall be and remain in full force and effect from and after said date of publication.

PASSED and **APPROVED** on first reading on the 8th day of August, 2017.

PASSED and **APPROVED** on second and final reading on the ____ day of _____,
2017.

CITY OF SAN JUAN

MARIO GARZA, MAYOR

ATTEST:

DIANA CAVAZOS, CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED BY:

PALACIOS, GARZA & THOMPSON, P.C.

CITY ATTORNEY

Exhibit "A"

ANTELOPE ST.

HUISACHE STREET

CHAPARRAL STREET

SAN JUAN MUNICIPAL PARK

SAN ANTONIO AVENUE

2nd STREET

Proposed W 2-1/2 Drive

STANDARD AVENUE

3rd STREET

4th STREET

BUS. 83



AGENDA ITEM AND RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY
CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 8, 2017

Consider Authorizing City Manager to Enter Into a Policing Agreement Between Pharr-San Juan-Alamo Independent School District and the City of San Juan Police Department. (Juan Gonzalez, Chief of Police)

STAFF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

This is an annual policing agreement with the Pharr-San-Juan-Alamo School District which allows, one (1) police officer to be stationed at the PSJA Independence High School from August 28, 2017 to the end of the school year May 25, 2018 or May 31st if needed. This complies with Section 21.483 of the Texas Education Code, which authorizes the PSJA Independence School District to employ certified police officers from the San Juan Police Department. The PSJA Independence School District will reimburse the City of San Juan for the police officer's salary at a rate of but not less than \$43,382.24 for each officer per year until the end of the school year in 2018. This amount is earned on a per day basis, at the rate of \$246.49 per day not exceed 176 instructional school days for a total of \$43,382.24. The benefits of having the officers at the schools; continuation of the G.R.E.A.T program and presentations, gang and drug intelligence, the ability to track problem juveniles, and close working relations with the school district.

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize City Manager to Enter Into a Policing Agreement Between the Pharr-San Juan-Alamo Independent School District and the City of San Juan Police Department.

PREPARED BY:

Juan Gonzalez, Chief
of Police

APPROVED BY:

Benjamin Arjona, City
Manager

**Policing Agreement Between
Pharr-San Juan-Alamo Independent School District and City of San Juan**

WHEREAS, the Pharr-San Juan-Alamo Independent School District desires to maintain safe and comfortable working and learning environment for its staff and students;

WHEREAS, the Pharr-San Juan-Alamo Independent School District and the City of San Juan have worked in the past in providing a suitable environment in PSJA school and other venues;

WHEREAS, the Pharr-San Juan-Alamo Independent School District and the City of San Juan have common interest in providing for a positive way of life without interference from third parties;

WHEREAS, the Pharr-San Juan-Alamo Independent School District and the City of San Juan, desire that the City of San Juan provide policing in PSJA schools and other venues;

This Agreement is entered into by the City of San Juan, Texas (City), and the Pharr-San Juan-Alamo (District) Independent School District.

Pursuant to Section 21.483 of the Texas Education Code, which authorized the School District to employ or commission certified police officers, it is hereby agreed that the City will station one (1) full time certified police officer at the Pharr-San Juan-Alamo High School Campus.

The salary for said police officer is to be reimbursed to San Juan by the District as set forth herein below.

A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CITY OF SAN JUAN AND OFFICERS

1. The City shall ensure that the police officer conduct in a professional and courteous manner at all times;
2. The City shall ensure that the police officer assigned to District campus set herein shall abide by the laws of the State of Texas and the ordinance of the City of San Juan, Texas;
3. The officer will not be required to perform any ministerial, administrative, or other duties for District or other school officials.
4. In consultation with the principal or designee, the officer shall act and conduct activities pursuant to the four major responsibilities of School Resource Officers (SRO's):

Deterrence: Through an active presence and positive relationship between school staff, students, parents, and community members, the SRO deters school disruption and violence and promotes improved community and police relations.

Instruction: The SRO will teach law enforcement related topics at the request of the school administration. The SRO may teach the following on a regular basis. The list is not intended to be all inclusive list of subjects covered by the SRO.

- a. Justification of rules of the law
- b. Consequences of Crime
- c. Juvenile and Adult criminal justice systems
- d. Career opportunities in law enforcement
- e. Substance abuse prevention
- f. Violence and crime prevention

Advice/Mentoring: The SRO serves as an advisor about legal matters and as a resource on community service agencies to students, staff, parents, and community members and as a mentor to students.

Law Enforcement: The SRO shall enforce all federal and state laws in coordination with school administrators while protecting the safety of people and property.

5. The City will ensure that a uniformed police officer will be on campus at PSJA H.S., continuously through a normal instructional (school) day for the period of this agreement.
6. The Police Department agrees and understands the police officer will perform all SRO duties and responsibilities in coordination and consultation with the principal or designee.
7. The police officer shall report to the Police Department Shift Supervisor and receive all orders from him/her. Any such orders in contradiction to the District Safety Director or appropriate campus principal shall be conservatively followed in a manner that can easily be reconciled later as provided herein in "Resolution of Disputes".
8. Any normal instructional (school) day where an police officer does not report to the campus will not qualify for reimbursement unless a replacement police officer reports to the campus and a timesheet signed by the principal, chief of police, and police officer is submitted; and
9. The police officer will perform any other police duties which the City and District mutually deem necessary to effectuate a safe school environment.
10. The Police Department agrees to accept the goals, objectives, role, and responsibilities of police officers as described and specified in the **School Resource Officer Program Guide** as reviewed and approved by the Police Department.

11. The Police Department agrees to select the participating police officer in accordance to the SRO qualifications specified by the School District.

B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PHARR-SAN JUAN-ALAMO ISD:

1. The District will reimburse the City for the police officer's salary at a rate of but not less than \$43,382.24 for each officer per year until the end of the school year on May 25, 2018 (or until May 31, 2018, if needed.) This amount shall be earned on a per day basis, at the rate of \$ 246.49 per day, not to exceed 176 instructional (school) days (for the total of \$43,382.24). The normal work day will consist of eight (8.25) hours that will be determined by both Police Administrators and respective campus principals as per the needs of the individual campuses set out herein;
2. Reimbursement will be paid on the monthly basis to the City, provided that, a timesheet signed by the principal, chief of police and officer is submitted;
3. The District will provide each City police officer with an office space where each is to be stationed.
4. The District will ensure that its employees at the campuses referred to above will not interfere with the duties of said City police officer;
5. The District agrees and understands that the police officer will at all times be under the direction and control of the Police Department.
6. Any normal instructional (school) day where a police officer does not report to the campus will not qualify for reimbursement unless a replacement police officer reports to the campus and a timesheet signed by the principal, chief of police, and police officer is submitted.
7. The District agrees to set the scope and duty of the police officer within the parameters of the School Resource Officer Program as described and specified in the District's School Resource Officer Program Guide that is reviewed, revised, and approved by the School District and Police Department.
8. In consultation with the Police Department, the District agrees to assign selected police officer to schools according to the police officer's strength and school needs.
9. Taxes and Penalties: The District has no obligation to pay or withhold any income tax, FICA or FUTA on behalf of the City. The City will not take any action in- consistent with this position.

C. ADDITIONAL DUTIES

Any additional duties required of the police officer shall be approved by the Superintendent or designee and the Police Chief of the City. Rate of Compensation for said additional services shall be determined by both parties and in accordance with both state and federal laws. Additional duties shall be those duties requested of the police officer after the normal business day.

D. RESOLUTIONS OF DISPUTES

Should any disputes arise regarding the duties or responsibilities of the City or the District or any other matters associated with this agreement, the Police Chief of the City of San Juan or his designee and the Superintendent of Schools for the District or his designee, will address the issues as soon as possible. Such resolution should be approved by the City Manager and Superintendent of Schools. If the resolution involves city ordinance, city council policy or directives, school board directives, the resolution shall be submitted to the District's Board of Trustees and the City Council for approval.

E. TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

This contract will commence on August 28, 2017 and terminate on May 25, 2018 or the last class day for the term, whichever is earlier. Also any party to this agreement can terminate this agreement for any reason or for no reason upon 15 days written notice to the other party. This agreement can also be terminated upon mutual consent of both parties.

F. RENEWAL OF CONTRACT

Upon the expiration of this contract, the contract may be renewed only with the consent of the City's Board of Commissioners and the District's Board of Trustees.

G. MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT

This document constitutes the entire agreement between the City of San Juan, Texas and Pharr-San Juan-Alamo Independent School District and may be modified only by agreement of both parties. All modifications will be in the form of an amended written agreement.

H. DEFAULT

If either party should default (the "Defaulting Party") with respect to and of its obligations here under and should fail within fifteen (15) days after delivery of written notice of such default from the other party (the "Complaining Party") to cure such default, the Complaining Party, by action or proceeding at law or

in equity, may be awarded its damage and/or specific performance for such default. A subsequent determination by the court of law of this State that any substantive portion of this Agreement is illegal or enforceable shall not affect the remaining portions of this agreement. This section of the contract is limited to what is permitted by law.

SIGNED on this the: _____ day of _____, 2017

Ben Garza, Jr.
President, PSJA Board of Trustees

Mario Garza
Mayor, City of San Juan, Texas

AGENDA ITEM AND RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY
CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 8, 2017

Consider Adoption of an Interlocal Agreement between the County of Hidalgo and the City of San Juan Regarding the FY 2017 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds under Grant No. B-17-UC-48-0501. (Xavier Cervantes, Director of Planning)

STAFF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Enclosed please find an interlocal agreement the Hidalgo County Urban County Program is requesting in order for the City of San Juan to participate and be eligible to obtain the FY 2017 Urban County Program funding. As approved during the October 25, 2016 City Commission meeting, the budget for fiscal 2017 year is the following:

\$3,000.00 for administrative expenses, \$4,000.00 to Senior Community Outreach Services, \$7,500.00 to Amigos Del Valle, \$7,500.00 to the Boys and Girls Club of Alamo-San Juan, \$5,000.00 to Casa of Hidalgo County, \$5,000.00 to Nuestra Clinica del Valle and \$244,051.00 for street improvements.

The \$244,051.00 for street improvements will cover the labor, equipment, materials and engineering/geotechnical expenses associated with the repaving of the Clark Terrace Subdivision Phase 1 & 2 located along the South side of Sam Houston Avenue just East of Veteran's Boulevard.

RECOMMENDATION:

Consider adoption of the interlocal agreement as recommended by staff.

PREPARED BY:

Xavier Cervantes,
Director of Planning
and Zoning

APPROVED BY:

Benjamin Arjona, City
Manager

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

STATE OF TEXAS §
 §
COUNTY OF HIDALGO §

This Interlocal Agreement made and entered into by and between the County of Hidalgo, a political subdivision of the State of Texas, hereafter referred to as the “County” and the City of San Juan, a municipal corporation under the laws of the State of Texas, hereafter referred to as “City”.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the Department of Housing and Urban Development made a Determination of Essential Powers on November 16, 1987 which depicts Hidalgo County as having the “essential powers” to carry out community renewal and lower income housing assistance in the County, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Housing and Urban Development formally allocated \$7,153,530.00 of Fiscal Year 2017 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds under Grant No. B-17-UC-48-0501 to County, and

WHEREAS, the City and County have entered into a Cooperation Agreement which allows the County to use the City’s population as the basis for qualification as an Urban County, and

WHEREAS, both the County and the City need to set out basic administrative understandings for the proper expenditure of CDBG funds as set out in 24 CFR.570 and other related federal rules and regulations as they apply to Subrecipients.

NOW, THEREFORE, KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That the County and the City do mutually agree as follows:

SECTION I Rules and Regulations

The City agrees to cooperate with the County in respect to the implementation of CDBG activities to be carried out in the City’s jurisdiction as per 24 CFR 570 and other rules, regulations and decisions as may be made by the Department of Housing and Urban Development or any other federal or state agency that may legally exercise its jurisdiction over expenditures of CDBG funds. Both City and County agree and understand that the County is the grantee for the CDBG funds and the City is subject to all rules and regulations governing Subrecipients under 24 CFR 570.

SECTION II
Applicability of Uniform
Administrative Requirements

The County understands that it is responsible for the maintenance, retention, accessibility and public disclosure of all records, expenditures and files as may be promulgated for the administration of CDBG funds and as may be required by 24 CFR 570 and the "Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State, Local, and Federally Recognized Indian Tribal Governments." (24 CFR Part 85) or any variation as may be approved by HUD. The City agrees to work with the County to make available all data, information and records as may be necessary for the proper accounting of all CDBG expenditures and activities. A description of City and County responsibilities can be found in Exhibit B Matrix. City agrees to make all records available to the County and shall not be the custodian of any official records or information.

City agrees to comply with OMB Circular No. A-87, "Principles for Determining Costs Applicable to Grants and Contracts with State, Local and Federally Recognized Indian Tribal Governments," OMB Circular A-133, "Audits of State and Local Governments" (implemented at 24 CFR Part 44) and with the following sections of 24 CFR Part 85 "Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Government":

- (1) Section 85.3, "Definitions";
- (2) Section 85.6, "Exceptions";
- (3) Section 85.12, Special grant or subgrant conditions for "high-risk grantees";
- (4) Section 85.20, "Standards for financial management systems," except paragraph (a);
- (5) Section 85.21, "Payment," except as modified by SS570.513;
- (6) Section 85.22, "Allowable costs";
- (7) Section 85.26, "Non-federal audits";
- (8) Section 85.32, "Equipment," except in all cases in which the equipment is sold, the proceeds shall be program income;
- (9) Section 85.33, "Supplies";
- (10) Section 85.34, "Copyrights";
- (11) Section 85.35, "Subawards to debarred and suspended parties";
- (12) Section 85.36, "Procurement," except paragraph (a);
- (13) Section 85.37, "Subgrants";
- (14) Section 85.40, "Monitoring and reporting program performance," except paragraphs (b)-(d) and (f);
- (15) Section 85.41, "Financial Reporting," except paragraphs (a), (b), and (e);
- (16) Section 85.42, "Retention and access requirements for records";
- (17) Section 85.43, "Enforcement";
- (18) Section 85.44, "Termination for convenience";
- (19) Section 85.51, "Later disallowances and adjustments"; and
- (20) Section 85.52, "Collection of amounts due."

Notwithstanding the requirements of OMB Circular A-133; the City agrees to submit a yearly Certified City Financial Audit regardless of the dollar amount expended in that fiscal year in the time and manner prescribed by the County.

SECTION III

Other Program Requirements

The City agrees to comply with “Other Program Requirements” as listed in Exhibit D (24 CFR 570.600-611) except for the environmental responsibilities outlined at 24 CFR 570.604 and the review process under Executive Order 12372.

SECTION IV

Allocation

The City understands that the Urban County allocation has been set at \$7,153,530.00 for Fiscal Year 2017 and that City’s allotment has been set at \$276,051.00. The City agrees to cooperate with the county in the expenditure of these funds for the activities so described in Exhibit A of this Agreement and that Exhibit A is an integral part of this Agreement.

The City further agrees to inform the County on any changes in scope, funding or location of the activities listed on Exhibit A prior to executing any change. Any changes proposed by City must be approved by the County in reference to eligibility, program compliance and citizen participation requirements.

City and County mutually agree that the City shall have four (4) fiscal years to properly expend or cause to be expended, according to all applicable rules and regulations, all funds allocated to it in Fiscal Year 2017. In consideration for the same, the City agrees not to have more than 1.5 times its annual allocation in its line of credit by April 30, 2018. Funds in excess of the 1.5 standards shall be subject to the Recapture Policy of the Urban County Program. The County shall recapture any and all unobligated funds that a City fails to expend or obligate by June 30, 2018 and shall expend such unobligated funds as it may deem appropriate.

SECTION V

Access

The City and County both agree to give the Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Inspector General, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of its authorized representatives, access to and the right to examine, excerpt and transcribe all books, accounts, records, reports, files and other papers, things, or property belonging to or in use by the City or County for a period as such records are legally required to be maintained by the City or County.

SECTION VI

Monitoring

The County reserves the right to carry out regular and periodic field inspections to ensure compliance with the requirements of this Agreement. City shall attend a compliance seminar after the award of funds and prior to the first draw. After each monitoring visit, County shall provide City with a written report of the monitor's inspection. If the monitoring report finds deficiencies in City's performance under the terms of this Agreement, the monitoring report shall include requirements for the timely correction of such deficiencies by City. Failure by City to take action as specified in the monitoring report may be cause for suspension or termination of this Agreement, as provided in Section XIV of this Agreement.

SECTION VII

Conflict of Interest

In compliance with 24 CFR 611, the City and County both covenant that no member of their respective governing bodies nor any staff member who exercises influence on the decision making process, presently has or will have any interest, direct or indirect, with any person, corporation, company or association that is hired to carry out any of the activities so listed on Exhibit A or will receive federal assistance from any activity.

The City and County both agree that no person who is an elected official, employee, consultant, or agent of the City or County shall gain any interest in any corporation, company, or association that is hired to carry out any of the activities so listed in Exhibit A during their tenure or for a period of one year thereafter.

No City or County employee, elected official, consultant and/or agent shall solicit nor accept gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value from any person, corporation, company, or association that has been hired or expects to be hired to perform any of the activities so described on Exhibit A.

Code of Conduct Certification attached to this agreement must be signed by elected officials, employees, consultants, or agents to the City. (See attachment A-1)

SECTION VIII

Religious Activities

The City and County both agree that none of the funds expended or activities undertaken shall be used in support of any sectarian or religious activity, nor shall any building or structure funded under this program be used for sectarian or religious activities.

SECTION IX

Real and Property Assets

The City and County agree that any property, real or personal, duly acquired with CDBG funds allocated to City shall become property of the City and shall be afforded the same maintenance and protection as other City property. City and County further agree that any real or personal property acquired shall be done in accordance with 24 CFR 570.606, 24 CFR 85 and/or any other federal rules or regulations as may apply.

City agrees not to purchase any real or personal assets unless so permitted by the County and such procurement shall be done in accordance with 24 CFR 570.606, 24 CFR 85 and/or any other federal rules or regulations as may apply.

The City agrees to maintain any real or personal asset in a prudent manner so as to ensure its useful life and to protect the federal government's interest in such real or personal asset from the perils of fire, storm, flood or theft through insurance coverage in the amount as may be deemed prudent by County. Failure to secure such protection shall be cause for termination of this agreement.

Any asset acquired or improved in part or in whole with CDBG funds must be used in an activity that is eligible and meets one of the national objectives listed in 24 CFR 570.208. Any asset acquired or improved in part or in whole with CDBG funds in excess of \$ 25,000 must be used for the CDBG activity so planned including the beneficiaries of such use. Any change in use or

beneficiaries must be subject to the citizen participation requirements and approved by the County.

Should any use of an asset not qualify as meeting one of the national objectives or is not an eligible use under 24 CFR 570.200, the City shall reimburse the County the amount of the current fair market value of the asset less any portion thereof attributable to expenditures of non-CDBG funds in the acquisition or improvement of the asset.

The above requirements attributed to assets over \$25,000 shall remain in force for a period of five years after the final closeout of the County's participation in the Urban County Program. The disposition of any asset improved or acquired in part or in whole with CDBG funds by the City must be done with prior approval of the County and the County shall be reimbursed for the asset, if sold, in the full amount of the disposed value of the asset. The County may, at its option, request that such asset be transferred to the County if the asset is no longer being used to meet one of the national objectives or in any case where the City no longer uses the asset for its intended use.

SECTION X

Jurisdiction

The City and County agree to accept the jurisdiction of the Department of Housing and Urban Development in matters relating to the proper administration of programs and the proper expenditure of CDBG funds.

The City and County agree that the County is responsible for the proper administration of programs and the proper expenditure of CDBG funds and recognize that the County will be responsible for audit or programmatic findings or exceptions made by the HUD or any other agency that may exercise jurisdiction over HUD or any other agency that may exercise jurisdiction over HUD funds or programs.

In cases of an audit finding or exception based on action or inaction, representation or misrepresentation of the City, the City agrees to resolve such audit finding or exception for and on behalf of the County. Remedial actions that may be taken for the resolution of an audit finding or exception are defined in 24 CFR 570.910 and include the withholding of funds to the City for any outstanding finding(s) or exception(s). (See Exhibit-E)

The City understands and agrees this Interlocal Agreement shall remain in full force and effect until the Department of Housing and Urban Development has closed this Program Year [\(B-17-UC-48-0501\)](#) and accepted any resolutions to any and all audit or programmatic finding(s) or concern(s).

SECTION XI

Payment Requests and Program Income

The City agrees to follow administrative directions from the County in the areas of documenting and processing payment requests. The City further agrees to allow the County to make all payments and to account for all program income from any of its CDBG activities that may generate program income as outlined in this Section.

The City and County agree that program income generated from any approved CDBG project shall be retained by the City as long as such City provides the County by the 15th of each month, an accounting as may be required by the County of program income earned, retained, and

expended by the City. The City shall be allowed to use the program income for the same or similar activities as generated the program income. Failure of the City to report program income as required shall cause the County to require all program income to be recovered by the County.

SECTION XII

Section 108 Loan Guarantee

County and City both agree that they may implement certain eligible activities as outlined in 24 CFR 570.703 with loan funds from the Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program as described in 24 CFR 570.700-709 approved and adopted November 6, 1991 (Vol. 56, No. 215 Federal Register).

The County and City will be allowed to submit an application for such funds per funding year in an amount less than three times its current allocation. Should the City or County submit more than one application during any combination of years, the cumulative amount of loan funds requested shall not exceed the total amount of five years of the current allocation. The City agrees that it will bear the full expense of obtaining Section 108 financing for the period of the repayment of Section 108 funds.

The County and City agree that they will maintain a legal binding relationship with each other under the terms of this Agreement and all previously signed Cooperation Agreement if the City wishes to participate in the Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program for the full term of the Section 108 Loan Agreement. The City agrees to pledge its current and future CDBG allocation and other security consideration as may be required, depending on the project risk, as security for the Section 108 Loan and such security pledge shall not bind or affect other cities' allocation in the Urban County Program.

Such legal binding relationship and security pledge shall remain in full force and effect for the full term of the Section 108 Loan Guarantee agreement and this agreement shall survive for the term of the Section 108 Loan. Details of any current Section 108 loan are included herein as Exhibit C, if applicable.

SECTION XIII

Legal Action

The City agrees to notify the County when a problem arises that may lead to any legal action or claim against the City and/or County. The City agrees to furnish to the County any information with respect to such action or claim. The City agrees not to take any action with respect to any legal matter or claim sought against the City and/or County without advice and consent of the County.

SECTION XIV

Suspension and Termination

City understands that this agreement may be suspended or terminated in accordance with 24 CFR 85.43 if the City materially fails to comply with the provisions of this agreement or the provisions so listed on Exhibits A through E. Termination for convenience may be implemented in accordance to the provisions listed in 24 CFR 85.44.

SECTION XV
Changes or Amendments

The City agrees to notify the County on any changes or amendments that it may desire or need to carry out the CDBG program in its area. All changes or amendments must first obtain approval from the County prior to implementation. All changes or amendments must conform to all federal rules and regulations applicable to the CDBG program.

SECTION XVI
Essential Powers

The City agrees that the County has the essential powers to implement any aspect of those activities identified in the 2013 – 2017 Five-Year Consolidated Plan & Strategy inclusive of specific projects identified in the annual One-Year Action Plan and subsequent amendments. The City further agrees to allow the County the authority to initiate, undertake and implement said projects within its jurisdictional boundaries without further notice to City by County for all projects identified in the 2013 – 2017 Five-Year Consolidated Plan & Strategy, Annual Action Plan and subsequent amendments to the Plans herein incorporated by reference.

Approved and signed this ____ Day of _____, 2017.

ATTEST:

Arturo Guajardo, Jr.
County Clerk

Ramon Garcia,
Hidalgo County Judge

ATTEST:

City Secretary

Mayor

Date

Approved as to form
By: Stephen L. Crain
Date: June 5, 2015

The following Exhibits are incorporated into the 2017 Interlocal Agreement:

Exhibit A	2017 Proposed Activities
Exhibit A-1	Code of Conduct Enforcement
Exhibit B	Urban County Program Matrix
Exhibit C	Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program
Exhibit D	Other Program Requirements
Exhibit E	Audit Finding or Exceptions

Exhibit A

2017 Proposed Activities

2017	SAN JUAN	\$276,051.00
21A Exempt 58.34(a)(3)	GENERAL PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION Funds shall be used for expenses related to compliance with CDBG requirements including but not limited to advertisements, postings and coordinating project activities and related eligible activities. Location: City Hall 709 S Nebraska Ave., San Juan, TX 78589	\$3,000.00
03K Environmental Assessment 58.36	STREET IMPROVEMENTS Project consists of the reconstruction of several streets to include but not limited to adjacent/abutting streets within the same general vicinity and all related appurtenances. Other expenditures will include professional engineering services, surveying, geotechnical and construction material testing fees, etc. Locations: 12 th Street (from Veterans Blvd. to Miguel Hidalgo), 13 th Street (from Veterans Blvd. to Coil Dr.), Miguel Hidalgo Street (From 13 th St., to end of road), Doe Street (From 13 th Street to end of road), and Coil Dr. (from 13 th Street to end of road), San Juan, TX 78589 Census Data: 0220.01 (01) National Objective: 61.25% LMA Goal Outcome Indicator: 1845 Beneficiary Type: People	\$244,051.00
05A Exempt 58.34(a)(4)	SENIOR SERVICES – Senior Community Outreach Services Project expenditures include but are not limited to the reimbursement of salaries (stipends) for senior volunteers providing support services to needy adults who are frail, elderly (62 years older) chronically and terminally ill or disabled within the City of San Juan. Location: 840 W. Austin Ave., Alamo, TX 78516 National Objective: LMC Goal Outcome Indicator: 12 Beneficiary Type: People	\$4,000.00
05A Exempt 58.34(a)(4)	SENIOR SERVICES – Amigos Del Valle Project expenditures include but are not limited to the reimbursement of expenses related to the delivery of meals to the elderly (62 years older) within the city of San Juan. Nutritional Health Education will be a new service provided by staff. Location: Nutrition Center/Senior Center – 600 W. 1 st Street, San Juan, TX 78589 National Objective: LMC Goal Outcome Indicator: 12 Beneficiary Type: People	\$7,500.00

2017	SAN JUAN	Continued
05 Exempt 58.34(a)(4)	OTHER PUBLIC SERVICES – Boys and Girls Club of Alamo / San Juan Project expenditures include but are not limited to the reimbursement of salaries and fringe benefits of staff providing direct services to the youth 4-18 years of age and the purchase of minor recreational equipment/supplies for program activities. Location: Alamo Unit – 501 N. 13 th Street, Alamo, TX 78516 and Sorensen Elementary – 715 South Standard, San Juan, TX 78589 National Objective: LMC Goal Outcome Indicator: 22 Beneficiary Type: People	\$7,500.00
05N Exempt 58.34(a)(4)	SERVICES FOR ABUSED AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN – CASA of Hidalgo County Project expenditures include but are not limited to the reimbursement of salaries, fringe benefits and mileage for staff (Case Supervisor, Case Manager, etc) providing direct services to the youth consisting of coordination and observation of child visitations, interviews with appropriate parties, development of court reports and attendance at court hearings. County Wide Project. Location: 1001 S. 10 th Avenue, Edinburg, TX 78539 National Objective: LMC Goal Outcome Indicator: 50 Beneficiary Type: People	\$5,000.00
05M Exempt 58.34 (a)(4)	HEALTH SERVICES – Nuestra Clinica Del Valle Project expenditures include reimbursement of expenses associated with medical services and procedures to include but not limited to, dental services, support services of pharmacy, radiology, laboratory, sub-specialty referral, for the low income and uninsured residents of the San Juan area. Location: 801 W. 1st St., San Juan, TX 78589 National Objective: LMC Goal Outcome Indicator: 40 Beneficiary Type: People	\$5,000.00

Exhibit A-1

Code of Conduct Certifications

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Non-disclosure Policy

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Exhibit B

Urban County Matrix

Pre-Bid Activities

Development of Annual Workplan

This activity is a city responsibility with the county involvement only as is necessary to assure that the individual activities meet one of the three national objectives.

Revisions or Amendments to Annual Workplan

Same as above (only two amendments allowed per fiscal year)

Eligibility Test on Activities

This is a county responsibility working with the cities to assure all activities meet one of the three national objectives. The County will assure that the 51 percent benefit to low and moderate income persons can be verified and that the activities are eligible for funding. The county may request an eligibility determination from HUD should a difference of opinion arise between the City and the County.

Public Hearings

This responsibility will be a shared responsibility between the Cities and the County. In accordance with the adopted Citizen Participation Plan, the Cities will conduct a public hearing in their respective Cities after public notice. The County will then have a second public hearing at the County level on the county-wide workplan, after public notice.

Environmental Assessment

This is a County responsibility with concurrence and assistance by the Cities. The County will determine what level of clearance is needed and will do noise, hazard, historical, floodplain, etc. assessments as may be needed with as much city input as possible. The County Judge will consider the “do nothing” alternative after consultation with the respective Mayors. The County Judge and or UCP Staff will direct all mitigation efforts if necessary. The County Judge will sign all environmental assessment reviews and findings. (A County Signatory may be appointed: UCP Director)

Advertise for Professional Services

This is a County responsibility whereby the County will advertise once a year for all professional services through a statement of qualifications process. The County will provide all data concerning proposed activities and type of services needed. This list will be sent to all Cities so that the Cities may decide on the professional services as they see the need for the services. Should a city need services not available from the list (UC-1 List) of Professional Services, the City shall advertise for the service after consulting with the Urban County Program staff.

Selection of Professional Services Provider

This is a City and County shared responsibility, based on the Texas Local Government code and other applicable laws and regulations. County will make sure that the provider is not a contractor's debarred list by consulting with the System for Award Management (SAM) website (www.sam.gov), prior to recommendation for awarding a contractor to Hidalgo County Commissioner's Court.

Execute Professional Contracts

The City will negotiate the Professional Service Contract, and submit a Best and Final Offer (BAFO) along with Scope of Services, Project Cost Estimate, Certificate of Debarment, CIQ Form and IRS W-9 Form. The County will prepare the Professional Contract Agreement documents and submit to Hidalgo County Commissioner's Court for approval of contract. Any modifications to the County contracts require prior approval of the County Legal Department. Once approved, the County will forward the contracts to the Professional Service Provider for proper signatures, they will return to the County for the County's execution and County will issue Notice to Proceed.

Review of Preliminary Drawings

This is a city responsibility.

Solicit Davis-Bacon Wage Rates

This is a County responsibility. The County will obtain wage rates from HUD for specific projects and will forward wage rates to the respective Cities and the Professional Service Provider to include in the bid specification packages.

Review and Approval of Final Plans and Specifications

This is a City responsibility where by the Mayor's signature will be required on all plans and specifications prior to bidding. Final plans should be forwarded to Urban County Program office prior to bid advertisement for compliance check.

Advertise for Construction Bid

This is a County responsibility. The County will advertise for all construction projects and will instruct bidders as to the availability of plans and specs, (to be picked up at Professional Service Provider's choice of location), and will advise bidders as to who will accept bids. (Hidalgo County Purchasing Department – any given Wednesday at 9:30am)

Pre-Bid Conference

This is a County responsibility. County will conduct a pre-bid conference if necessary at the Urban County program Conference Room, accompanied by the Professional Service Provider and the project's respective City.

Bid Activities

Ten Day Wage Rate Check

This is a County responsibility. Ten days prior to any bid opening, the County will ascertain as to the applicability of the wage rate in the bid documents. Should the wage rate change all appropriate engineers will be notified and instructed to change wage rates.

Accept Construction Bids

This is a County Purchasing Department responsibility. The Hidalgo County Purchasing Department will accept bids as per the conditions set forth in the specification handbook.

Accept and Tabulate Bids

This is a County Purchasing Department responsibility with an Urban County, City, and Professional Service Provider representative at bid opening. The respective Professional Service Provider will review the bids received and make their recommendation to the Urban County Program.

Research Apparent Low Bidder

This is a shared responsibility. The respective Professional Service Provider will research and review apartment low bidder's past performances and their bids. The Urban County program will research the list of Debarred Contractor's and make a finding in the regard.

Bid Recommendation

This is a City responsibility. The respective Professional Service Provider will recommend the lowest and most responsible bid to the City. The city will send a recommendation to the County. County will request approval by Hidalgo County Commissioner's Court for approval of contract.

Contract Award

The County upon approval by Hidalgo County Commissioner's Court will prepare the contract documents and forward them to the approved Contractor for execution.

Pre-Construction Activities

Construction Contract and Bonds

This is a shared responsibility. The Professional Service Provider will coordinate the execution of construction contracts to include Insurance, Payment and Performance Bonds. Once they receive four (4) original set of construction contracts they will submit to the County for execution. Any modifications to the construction contracts require prior review by Legal Department and approval by Hidalgo County Commissioner's Court.

Pre-Construction Conference

The Urban County Program will conduct a Pre-construction conference to inform the contractor of the various federal regulations such as Affirmative Action, Section 3 Compliance, and Davis-Bacon Wage Compliance. The Pre-construction conference will be held at the Urban County

Program Conference Room, with the city and professional service provider representatives present. Once contracts are signed, County will prepare and issue a Notice to Proceed.

Document Posting and Construction Signs

This is a shared responsibility. The city and Professional Service Provider will ensure itself that the appropriate documents are posted at the site and that the construction sign is erected.

Construction Activities

Davis-Bacon Compliance

This is a shared responsibility. The City may be asked to conduct wage rate employee interviews. The County will conduct wage rate interviews and review wage rates on payroll reports submitted with request for payments.

Periodic Project Inspections

This is a shared responsibility. The City, County, and Professional Service Providers will conduct periodic site inspections of the project site.

Payment Request Approval

This is a shared responsibility. The Professional Service Provider will review and sign off on request for payments and forward RFP to the City for signature and approval, and forward the final RFP to the County for review and approval of payment.

Change Orders

This is a shared responsibility. Professional Service Provider will recommend any change orders after negotiating said change order with the contractor. All change orders must have City's approval prior to submission to County for review and approval.

Contract Amendment

This is a shared responsibility. The City will recommend any contract amendments to the County. County will consider and take appropriate action to approve or deny the contract amendment if necessary.

Final Payment Approval

This is a shared responsibility. The City and Professional Service Provider will conduct final project site inspections to ensure that construction has been completed as per plans and specifications prior to submitting final request for payment recommendation to the County. County will ensure that all applicable laws and regulations have been complied with. County will review wage rate compliance, release of liens, certification of construction completion, warranty certification and other pertinent documents.

Exhibit C

Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program

Introduction

Section 108 is the loan guarantee provision of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. Section 108 provides communities with a source of financing for economic development, housing rehabilitation, public facilities, and large-scale physical development projects. This makes it one of the most potent and important public investment tools that HUD offers to local governments. It allows them to transform a small portion of their CDBG funds into federally guaranteed loans large enough to pursue physical and economic revitalization projects that can renew entire neighborhoods. Such public investment is often needed to inspire private economic activity, providing the initial resources or simply the confidence that private firms and individuals may need to invest in distressed areas. Section 108 loans are not risk-free, however; local governments borrowing funds guaranteed by Section 108 must pledge their current and future CDBG allocations to cover the loan amount as security for the loan.

Regulations governing the Section 108 program may be found at [24 CFR 570](#), Subpart M, Loan Guarantees.

Eligible Applicants

Eligible applicants include the following public entities:

- metropolitan cities and urban counties (i.e. CDBG entitlement recipients);
- nonentitlement communities that are assisted in the submission of applications by States that administer the CDBG program; and
- nonentitlement communities eligible to receive CDBG funds under the HUD-Administered Small Cities CDBG program (Hawaii). The public entity may be the borrower or it may designate a public agency as the borrower.

Eligible Activities

Activities eligible for Section 108 financing include:

- economic development activities eligible under CDBG;
- acquisition of real property;
- rehabilitation of publicly owned real property;
- housing rehabilitation eligible under CDBG;
- construction, reconstruction, or installation of public facilities (including street, sidewalk, and other site improvements);
- related relocation, clearance, and site improvements;
- payment of interest on the guaranteed loan and issuance costs of public offerings;
- debt service reserves;
- public works and site improvements in colonias; and
- in limited circumstances, housing construction as part of community economic development, Housing Development Grant, or Nehemiah Housing Opportunity Grant programs.

For purposes of determining eligibility, the CDBG rules and requirements apply. As with the CDBG program, all projects and activities must either principally benefit low- and moderate-income persons, aid in the elimination or prevention of slums and blight, or meet urgent needs of the community.

Maximum Commitment Amount

Commitments are limited as follows:

1. Entitlement public entities. An entitlement public entity may apply for up to five times the public entity's latest approved CDBG entitlement amount, minus any outstanding Section 108 commitments and/or principal balances of Section 108 loans.
2. State assisted public entities. A nonentitlement public entity may apply for up to five times the latest approved CDBG amount received by its State, minus any outstanding Section 108 commitments and/or principal balances on Section 108 loans for which the State has pledged its CDBG funds as security.
3. Nonentitlement public entities eligible under the HUD administered Small Cities Program. For a public entity in Hawaii, the maximum commitment amount is five times the public entity's latest grant under 24 CFR 570, Subpart F, minus any outstanding Section 108 commitments and/or principal balances on Section 108 loans.

Loan Details

Security: The principal security for the loan guarantee is a pledge by the applicant public entity or the State (in the case of a nonentitlement public entity) of its current and future CDBG funds. Additional security will also be required to assure repayment of guaranteed obligations. The additional security requirements will be determined on a case-by-case basis, but could include assets financed by the guaranteed loan.

Repayment: The maximum repayment period for a Section 108 loan is twenty years. HUD has the ability to structure the principal amortization to match the needs of the project and borrower. Each annual principal amount will have a separate interest rate associated with it.

Financing Source: Section 108 obligations are financed through underwritten public offerings. Financing between public offerings is provided through an interim lending facility established by HUD.

Interest Rates: Interest rates on interim borrowing are priced at the 3 month London Interbank Offered (LIBO) rate plus 20 basis points (0.2%). Permanent financing is pegged to yields on U.S. Treasury obligations of similar maturity to the principal amount. A small additional basis point spread, depending on maturity, will be added to the Treasury yield to determine the actual rate.

Default: To date, there has been no default under Section 108 resulting in a repayment by HUD. In the event of default requiring a payment, HUD would continue to make payments on the loan in accordance with its terms. The source of payments by HUD pursuant to its guarantee would almost always be pledged CDBG funds. However, HUD does have borrowing authority with the U.S. Treasury if the pledged funds are insufficient.

For More Information visit www.hud.gov

Source: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/comm_planning/communitydevelopment/programs/108

Exhibit D

CDBG Regulations and Other Program Requirements

Subpart A—General Provisions

SOURCE: 53 FR 34437, Sept. 6, 1988, unless otherwise noted.

§ 570.1 Purpose and primary objective.

(a) This part describes policies and procedures applicable to the following programs authorized under title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended:

- (1) Entitlement grants program (subpart D);
- (2) Nonentitlement Funds: HUD-administered Small Cities and Insular Area programs (subpart F);
- (3) State program: State-administered CDBG nonentitlement funds (subpart I);
- (4) Special Purpose Grants (subpart E);
- (5) Urban Development Action Grant program (subpart G); and
- (6) Loan Guarantees (subpart M).

(b) Subparts A, C, J, K, and O apply to all programs in paragraph (a) except as modified or limited under the provisions of these subparts or the applicable program regulations. In the application of the subparts to Special Purpose Grants or the Urban Development Action Grant program, the reference to funds in the form of grants in the term “*CDBG funds*”, as defined in § 570.3, shall mean the grant funds under those programs. The subparts do not apply to the State program (subpart I) except to the extent expressly referred to.

(c) The primary objective of the programs authorized under title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, is described in section 101(c) of the Act (42 U.S.C. 5301(c)).

[53 FR 34437, Sept. 6, 1988, as amended at 56 FR 56126, Oct. 31, 1991; 61 FR 11475, Mar. 20, 1996; 69 FR 32778, June 10, 2004]

§ 570.3 Definitions.

The terms *HUD* and *Secretary* are defined in 24 CFR part 5. All of the following definitions in this section that rely on data from the United States Bureau of the Census shall rely upon the data available from the latest decennial census.

Act means title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended (42 U.S.C. 5301 *et seq.*).

Age of housing means the number of year-round housing units, as further defined in section 102(a)(11) of the Act.

Applicant means a State or unit of general local government that makes application pursuant to the provisions of subpart E, F, G or M.

Buildings for the general conduct of government shall have the meaning provided in section 102(a)(21) of the Act.

CDBG funds means Community Development Block Grant funds, including funds received in the form of grants under subpart D, F, or § 570.405 of this part, funds awarded under section 108(q) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, loans guaranteed under subpart M of this part, urban renewal surplus grant funds, and program income as defined in § 570.500(a).

Chief executive officer of a State or unit of general local government means the elected official or the legally designated official, who has the primary responsibility for the conduct of that entity's governmental affairs. Examples of the "chief executive officer" of a unit of general local government are: the elected mayor of a municipality; the elected county executive of a county; the chairperson of a county commission or board in a county that has no elected county executive; and the official designated pursuant to law by the governing body of a unit of general local government.

City means the following:

(1) For purposes of Entitlement Community Development Block Grant and Urban Development Action Grant eligibility:

(i) Any unit of general local government that is classified as a municipality by the United States Bureau of the Census, or

(ii) Any other unit of general local government that is a town or township and that, in the determination of the Secretary:

(A) Possesses powers and performs functions comparable to those associated with municipalities;

(B) Is closely settled (except that the Secretary may reduce or waive this requirement on a case by case basis for the purposes of the Action Grant program); and

(C) Contains within its boundaries no incorporated places as defined by the United States Bureau of the Census that have not entered into cooperation agreements with the town or township for a period covering at least 3 years to undertake or assist in the undertaking of essential community development and housing assistance activities. The determination of eligibility of a town or township to qualify as a city will be based on information available from the United States Bureau of the Census and information provided by the town or township and its included units of general local government.

(2) For purposes of Urban Development Action Grant eligibility only, Guam, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the counties of Kauai, Maui, and Hawaii in the State of Hawaii, and Indian tribes that are eligible recipients under the State and Local Government Fiscal Assistance Act of 1972 and located on reservations in Oklahoma as determined by the Secretary of the Interior or in Alaskan Native Villages.

Community Development Financial Institution has the same meaning as used in the Community Development Banking and Financial Institutions Act of 1994 (12 U.S.C. 4701 note).

Consolidated plan. The plan prepared in accordance with 24 CFR part 91, which describes needs, resources, priorities and proposed activities to be undertaken with respect to HUD programs, including the CDBG program. An approved consolidated plan means a consolidated plan that has been approved by HUD in accordance with 24 CFR part 91.

Discretionary grant means a grant made from the various Special Purpose Grants in accordance with subpart E of this part.

Entitlement amount means the amount of funds which a metropolitan city is entitled to receive under the Entitlement grant program, as determined by formula set forth in section 106 of the Act.

Extent of growth lag shall have the meaning provided in section 102(a)(12) of the Act.

Extent of housing overcrowding shall have the meaning provided in section 102(a)(10) of the Act.

Extent of poverty means the number of persons whose incomes are below the poverty level based on data compiled and published by the United States Bureau of the Census available from the latest census referable to the same point or period in time and the latest reports from the Office of Management and Budget. For purposes of this part, the Secretary has determined that it is neither feasible nor appropriate to make adjustments at this time in the computations of “extent of poverty” for regional or area variations in income and cost of living.

Family refers to the definition of “family” in 24 CFR 5.403.

Household means all persons occupying a housing unit. The occupants may be a family, as defined in 24 CFR 5.403; two or more families living together; or any other group of related or unrelated persons who share living arrangements, regardless of actual or perceived, sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status.

Income. For the purpose of determining whether a family or household is low- and moderate-income under subpart C of this part, grantees may select any of the three definitions listed below for each activity, except that integrally related activities of the same type and qualifying under the same paragraph of § 570.208(a) shall use the same definition of income. The option to choose a definition does not apply to activities that qualify under § 570.208(a)(1) (Area benefit activities), except when the recipient carries out a survey under § 570.208(a)(1)(vi). Activities qualifying under § 570.208(a)(1) generally must use the area income data supplied to recipients by HUD. The three definitions are as follows:

(1)(i) “Annual income” as defined under the Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments program at 24 CFR 813.106 (except that if the CDBG assistance being provided is homeowner rehabilitation under § 570.202, the value of the homeowner's primary residence may be excluded from any calculation of Net Family Assets); or

(ii) Annual income as reported under the Census long-form for the most recent available decennial Census. This definition includes:

(A) Wages, salaries, tips, commissions, etc.;

(B) Self-employment income from own nonfarm business, including proprietorships and partnerships;

(C) Farm self-employment income;

(D) Interest, dividends, net rental income, or income from estates or trusts;

(E) Social Security or railroad retirement;

(F) Supplemental Security Income, Aid to Families with Dependent Children, or other public assistance or public welfare programs;

(G) Retirement, survivor, or disability pensions; and

(H) Any other sources of income received regularly, including Veterans' (VA) payments, unemployment compensation, and alimony; or

(iii) Adjusted gross income as defined for purposes of reporting under Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form 1040 for individual Federal annual income tax purposes.

(2) Estimate the annual income of a family or household by projecting the prevailing rate of income of each person at the time assistance is provided for the individual, family, or household (as applicable). Estimated annual income shall include income from all family or household members, as applicable. Income or asset enhancement derived from the CDBG-assisted activity shall not be considered in calculating estimated annual income.

Insular area shall have the meaning provided in section 102(a)(24) of the Act.

Low- and moderate-income household means a household having an income equal to or less than the Section 8 low-income limit established by HUD.

Low- and moderate-income person means a member of a family having an income equal to or less than the Section 8 low-income limit established by HUD. Unrelated individuals will be considered as one-person families for this purpose.

Low-income household means a household having an income equal to or less than the Section 8 very low-income limit established by HUD.

Low-income person means a member of a family that has an income equal to or less than the Section 8 very low-income limit established by HUD. Unrelated individuals shall be considered as one-person families for this purpose.

Metropolitan area shall have the meaning provided in section 102(a)(3) of the Act.

Metropolitan city shall have the meaning provided in section 102(a)(4) of the Act except that the term "central city" is replaced by "principal city."

Microenterprise shall have the meaning provided in section 102(a)(22) of the Act.

Moderate-income household means a household having an income equal to or less than the Section 8 low-income limit and greater than the Section 8 very low-income limit, established by HUD.

Moderate-income person means a member of a family that has an income equal to or less than the Section 8 low-income limit and greater than the Section 8 very low-income limit, established by HUD. Unrelated individuals shall be considered as one-person families for this purpose.

Nonentitlement amount means the amount of funds which is allocated for use in a State's nonentitlement areas as determined by formula set forth in section 106 of the Act.

Nonentitlement area shall have the meaning provided in section 102(a)(7) of the Act.

Population means the total resident population based on data compiled and published by the United States Bureau of the Census available from the latest census or which has been upgraded by the Bureau to reflect the changes resulting from the Boundary and Annexation Survey, new incorporations and consolidations of governments pursuant to § 570.4, and which reflects, where applicable, changes resulting from the Bureau's latest population determination through its estimating technique using natural changes (birth and death) and net migration, and is referable to the same point or period in time.

Small business means a business that meets the criteria set forth in section 3(a) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 631, 636, 637).

State shall have the meaning provided in section 102(a)(2) of the Act.

Unit of general local government shall have the meaning provided in section 102(a)(1) of the Act.

Urban county shall have the meaning provided in section 102(a)(6) of the Act. For the purposes of this definition, HUD will determine whether the county's combined population contains the required percentage of low- and moderate-income persons by identifying the number of persons that resided in applicable areas and units of general local government based on data from the most recent decennial census, and using income limits that would have applied for the year in which that census was taken.

Urban Development Action Grant (UDAG) means a grant made by the Secretary pursuant to section 119 of the Act and subpart G of this part.

[53 FR 34437, Sept. 6, 1988; 53 FR 41330, Oct. 21, 1988, as amended at 56 FR 56126, Oct. 31, 1991; 60 FR 1915, 1943, Jan. 5, 1995; 60 FR 56909, Nov. 9, 1995; 61 FR 5209, Feb. 9, 1996; 61 FR 11475, Mar. 20, 1996; 61 FR 18674, Apr. 29, 1996; 68 FR 69582, Dec. 12, 2003; 69 FR 32778, June 10, 2004; 77 FR 5675, Feb. 3, 2012]

§ 570.4 Allocation of funds.

(a) The determination of eligibility of units of general local government to receive entitlement grants, the entitlement amounts, the allocation of appropriated funds to States for use in nonentitlement areas, the reallocation of funds, the allocation of appropriated funds to insular areas, and the allocation of appropriated funds for discretionary grants under the Secretary's Fund shall be governed by the policies and procedures described in sections 106 and 107 of the Act, as appropriate.

(b) The definitions in § 570.3 shall govern in applying the policies and procedures described in sections 106 and 107 of the Act.

(c) In determining eligibility for entitlement and in allocating funds under section 106 of the Act for any federal fiscal year, HUD will recognize corporate status and geographical boundaries and the status of metropolitan areas and principal cities effective as of July 1 preceding such federal fiscal year, subject to the following limitations:

(1) With respect to corporate status as certified by the applicable State and available for processing by the Census Bureau as of such date;

(2) With respect to boundary changes or annexations, as are used by the Census Bureau in preparing population estimates for all general purpose governmental units and are available for processing by the Census Bureau as of such date, except that any such boundary changes or annexations which result in the population of a unit of general local government reaching or exceeding 50,000 shall be recognized for this purpose whether or not such changes are used by the Census Bureau in preparing such population estimates; and

(3) With respect to the status of Metropolitan Statistical Areas and principal cities, as officially designated by the Office of Management and Budget as of such date.

(d) In determining whether a county qualifies as an urban county, and in computing entitlement amounts for urban counties, the demographic values of population, poverty, housing overcrowding, and age of housing of any Indian tribes located within the county shall be excluded. In allocating amounts to States for use in nonentitlement areas, the demographic values of population, poverty, housing overcrowding and age of housing of all Indian tribes located in all nonentitled areas shall be excluded. It is recognized that all

such data on Indian tribes are not generally available from the United States Bureau of the Census and that missing portions of data will have to be estimated. In accomplishing any such estimates the Secretary may use such other related information available from reputable sources as may seem appropriate, regardless of the data's point or period of time and shall use the best judgement possible in adjusting such data to reflect the same point or period of time as the overall data from which the Indian tribes are being deducted, so that such deduction shall not create an imbalance with those overall data.

(e) Amounts remaining after closeout of a grant which are required to be returned to HUD under the provisions of § 570.509, Grant closeout procedures, shall be considered as funds available for reallocation unless the appropriation under which the funds were provided to the Department has lapsed.

[53 FR 34437, Sept. 6, 1988, as amended at 68 FR 69582, Dec. 12, 2003; 69 FR 32778, June 10, 2004]

§ 570.5 *Waivers.*

HUD's authority for the waiver of regulations and for the suspension of requirements to address damage in a Presidentially declared disaster area is described in 24 CFR part 5 and in section 122 of the Act, respectively.

[61 FR 11476, Mar. 20, 1996]

Subpart B [Reserved]

Subpart C—Eligible Activities

SOURCE: 53 FR 34439, Sept. 6, 1988, unless otherwise noted.

§ 570.200 *General policies.*

(a) *Determination of eligibility.* An activity may be assisted in whole or in part with CDBG funds only if all of the following requirements are met:

(1) *Compliance with section 105 of the Act.* Each activity must meet the eligibility requirements of section 105 of the Act as further defined in this subpart.

(2) *Compliance with national objectives.* Grant recipients under the Entitlement and HUD-administered Small Cities programs and recipients of insular area funds under section 106 of the Act must certify that their projected use of funds has been developed so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which will carry out one of the national objectives of benefit to low- and moderate-income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The projected use of funds may also include activities that the recipient certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community where other financial resources are not available to meet such needs. Consistent with the foregoing, each recipient under the Entitlement or HUD-administered Small Cities programs, and each recipient of insular area funds under section 106 of the Act must ensure and maintain evidence that each of its activities assisted with CDBG funds meets one of the three national objectives as contained in its certification. Criteria for determining whether an activity addresses one or more of these objectives are found in § 570.208.

(3) *Compliance with the primary objective.* The primary objective of the Act is described in section 101(c) of the Act. Consistent with this objective, entitlement recipients, non-entitlement CDBG grantees in Hawaii, and recipients of insular area funds under section 106 of the Act must ensure that, over a period of time specified in their certification not to exceed three years, not less than 70 percent of the aggregate of CDBG fund expenditures shall be for activities meeting the criteria under § 570.208(a) or under

§ 570.208(d)(5) or (6) for benefiting low- and moderate-income persons. For grants under section 107 of the Act, insular area recipients must meet this requirement for each separate grant. See § 570.420(d)(3) for additional discussion of the primary objective requirement for insular areas funded under section 106 of the Act. The requirements for the HUD-administered Small Cities program in New York are at § 570.420(d)(2). In determining the percentage of funds expended for such activities:

(i) Cost of administration and planning eligible under § 570.205 and § 570.206 will be assumed to benefit low and moderate income persons in the same proportion as the remainder of the CDBG funds and, accordingly shall be excluded from the calculation;

(ii) Funds deducted by HUD for repayment of urban renewal temporary loans pursuant to § 570.802(b) shall be excluded;

(iii) Funds expended for the repayment of loans guaranteed under the provisions of subpart M shall also be excluded;

(iv) Funds expended for the acquisition, new construction or rehabilitation of property for housing that qualifies under § 570.208(a)(3) shall be counted for this purpose but shall be limited to an amount determined by multiplying the total cost (including CDBG and non-CDBG costs) of the acquisition, construction or rehabilitation by the percent of units in such housing to be occupied by low and moderate income persons.

(v) Funds expended for any other activities qualifying under § 570.208(a) shall be counted for this purpose in their entirety.

(4) *Compliance with environmental review procedures.* The environmental review procedures set forth at 24 CFR part 58 must be completed for each activity (or project as defined in 24 CFR part 58), as applicable.

(5) *Cost principles.* Costs incurred, whether charged on a direct or an indirect basis, must be in conformance with OMB Circulars A-87, “Cost Principles for State, Local and Indian Tribal Governments”; A-122, “Cost Principles for Non-profit Organizations”; or A-21, “Cost Principles for Educational Institutions,” as applicable.¹ All items of cost listed in Attachment B of these Circulars that require prior Federal agency approval are allowable without prior approval of HUD to the extent they comply with the general policies and principles stated in Attachment A of such circulars and are otherwise eligible under this subpart C, except for the following:

¹ These circulars are available from the American Communities Center by calling the following toll-free numbers: (800) 998-9999 or (800) 483-2209 (TDD).

(i) Depreciation methods for fixed assets shall not be changed without HUD's specific approval or, if charged through a cost allocation plan, the Federal cognizant agency.

(ii) Fines and penalties (including punitive damages) are unallowable costs to the CDBG program.

(iii) Pre-award costs are limited to those authorized under paragraph (h) of this section.

(b) *Special policies governing facilities.* The following special policies apply to:

(1) *Facilities containing both eligible and ineligible uses.* A public facility otherwise eligible for assistance under the CDBG program may be provided with CDBG funds even if it is part of a multiple use building containing ineligible uses, if:

(i) The facility which is otherwise eligible and proposed for assistance will occupy a designated and discrete area within the larger facility; and

(ii) The recipient can determine the costs attributable to the facility proposed for assistance as separate and distinct from the overall costs of the multiple-use building and/or facility.

Allowable costs are limited to those attributable to the eligible portion of the building or facility.

(2) *Fees for use of facilities.* Reasonable fees may be charged for the use of the facilities assisted with CDBG funds, but charges such as excessive membership fees, which will have the effect of precluding low and moderate income persons from using the facilities, are not permitted.

(c) *Special assessments under the CDBG program.* The following policies relate to special assessments under the CDBG program:

(1) *Definition of special assessment.* The term “special assessment” means the recovery of the capital costs of a public improvement, such as streets, water or sewer lines, curbs, and gutters, through a fee or charge levied or filed as a lien against a parcel of real estate as a direct result of benefit derived from the installation of a public improvement, or a one-time charge made as a condition of access to a public improvement. This term does not relate to taxes, or the establishment of the value of real estate for the purpose of levying real estate, property, or ad valorem taxes, and does not include periodic charges based on the use of a public improvement, such as water or sewer user charges, even if such charges include the recovery of all or some portion of the capital costs of the public improvement.

(2) *Special assessments to recover capital costs.* Where CDBG funds are used to pay all or part of the cost of a public improvement, special assessments may be imposed as follows:

(i) Special assessments to recover the CDBG funds may be made only against properties owned and occupied by persons not of low and moderate income. Such assessments constitute program income.

(ii) Special assessments to recover the non-CDBG portion may be made provided that CDBG funds are used to pay the special assessment in behalf of all properties owned and occupied by low and moderate income persons; except that CDBG funds need not be used to pay the special assessments in behalf of properties owned and occupied by moderate income persons if the grant recipient certifies that it does not have sufficient CDBG funds to pay the assessments in behalf of all of the low and moderate income owner-occupant persons. Funds collected through such special assessments are not program income.

(3) *Public improvements not initially assisted with CDBG funds.* The payment of special assessments with CDBG funds constitutes CDBG assistance to the public improvement. Therefore, CDBG funds may be used to pay special assessments provided:

(i) The installation of the public improvements was carried out in compliance with requirements applicable to activities assisted under this part including environmental, citizen participation and Davis-Bacon requirements;

(ii) The installation of the public improvement meets a criterion for national objectives in § 570.208(a)(1), (b), or (c); and

(iii) The requirements of § 570.200(c)(2)(ii) are met.

(d) *Consultant activities.* Consulting services are eligible for assistance under this part for professional assistance in program planning, development of community development objectives, and other general professional guidance relating to program execution. The use of consultants is governed by the following:

(1) *Employer-employee type of relationship.* No person providing consultant services in an employer-employee type of relationship shall receive more than a reasonable rate of compensation for personal services paid with CDBG funds. In no event, however, shall such compensation exceed the equivalent of

the daily rate paid for Level IV of the Executive Schedule. Such services shall be evidenced by written agreements between the parties which detail the responsibilities, standards, and compensation.

(2) *Independent contractor relationship.* Consultant services provided under an independent contractor relationship are governed by the procurement requirements in 24 CFR 85.36, and are not subject to the compensation limitation of Level IV of the Executive Schedule.

(e) *Recipient determinations required as a condition of eligibility.* In several instances under this subpart, the eligibility of an activity depends on a special local determination. Recipients shall maintain documentation of all such determinations. A written determination is required for any activity carried out under the authority of §§ 570.201(f), 570.201(i)(2), 570.201(p), 570.201(q), 570.202(b)(3), 570.206(f), 570.209, 570.210, and 570.309.

(f) *Means of carrying out eligible activities.* (1) Activities eligible under this subpart, other than those authorized under § 570.204(a), may be undertaken, subject to local law:

(i) By the recipient through:

(A) Its employees, or

(B) Procurement contracts governed by the requirements of 24 CFR 85.36; or

(ii) Through loans or grants under agreements with subrecipients, as defined at § 570.500(c); or

(iii) By one or more public agencies, including existing local public agencies, that are designated by the chief executive officer of the recipient.

(2) Activities made eligible under § 570.204(a) may only be undertaken by entities specified in that section.

(g) *Limitation on planning and administrative costs.* No more than 20 percent of the sum of any grant, plus program income, shall be expended for planning and program administrative costs, as defined in §§ 570.205 and 570.206, respectively. Recipients of entitlement grants under subpart D of this part shall conform with this requirement by limiting the amount of CDBG funds obligated for planning plus administration during each program year to an amount no greater than 20 percent of the sum of its entitlement grant made for that program year (if any) plus the program income received by the recipient and its subrecipients (if any) during that program year.

(h) *Reimbursement for pre-award costs.* The effective date of the grant agreement is the program year start date or the date that the consolidated plan is received by HUD, whichever is later. For a Section 108 loan guarantee, the effective date of the grant agreement is the date of HUD execution of the grant agreement amendment for the particular loan guarantee commitment.

(1) Prior to the effective date of the grant agreement, a recipient may incur costs or may authorize a subrecipient to incur costs, and then after the effective date of the grant agreement pay for those costs using its CDBG funds, provided that:

(i) The activity for which the costs are being incurred is included, prior to the costs being incurred, in a consolidated plan action plan, an amended consolidated plan action plan, or an application under subpart M of this part, except that a new entitlement grantee preparing to receive its first allocation of CDBG funds may incur costs necessary to develop its consolidated plan and undertake other administrative actions necessary to receive its first grant, prior to the costs being included in its consolidated plan;

(ii) Citizens are advised of the extent to which these pre-award costs will affect future grants;

(iii) The costs and activities funded are in compliance with the requirements of this part and with the Environmental Review Procedures stated in 24 CFR part 58;

(iv) The activity for which payment is being made complies with the statutory and regulatory provisions in effect at the time the costs are paid for with CDBG funds;

(v) CDBG payment will be made during a time no longer than the next two program years following the effective date of the grant agreement or amendment in which the activity is first included; and

(vi) The total amount of pre-award costs to be paid during any program year pursuant to this provision is no more than the greater of 25 percent of the amount of the grant made for that year or \$300,000.

(2) Upon the written request of the recipient, HUD may authorize payment of pre-award costs for activities that do not meet the criteria at paragraph (h)(1)(v) or (h)(1)(vi) of this section, if HUD determines, in writing, that there is good cause for granting an exception upon consideration of the following factors, as applicable:

(i) Whether granting the authority would result in a significant contribution to the goals and purposes of the CDBG program;

(ii) Whether failure to grant the authority would result in undue hardship to the recipient or beneficiaries of the activity;

(iii) Whether granting the authority would not result in a violation of a statutory provision or any other regulatory provision;

(iv) Whether circumstances are clearly beyond the recipient's control; or

(v) Any other relevant considerations.

(i) *Urban Development Action Grant.* Grant assistance may be provided with Urban Development Action Grant funds, subject to the provisions of subpart G, for:

(1) Activities eligible for assistance under this subpart; and

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of § 570.207, such other activities as the Secretary may determine to be consistent with the purposes of the Urban Development Action Grant program.

(j) *Faith-based activities.* (1) Organizations that are religious or faith-based are eligible, on the same basis as any other organization, to participate in the CDBG program. Neither the Federal government nor a State or local government receiving funds under CDBG programs shall discriminate against an organization on the basis of the organization's religious character or affiliation.

(2) Organizations that are directly funded under the CDBG program may not engage in inherently religious activities, such as worship, religious instruction, or proselytization, as part of the programs or services funded under this part. If an organization conducts such activities, the activities must be offered separately, in time or location, from the programs or services funded under this part, and participation must be voluntary for the beneficiaries of the HUD-funded programs or services.

(3) A religious organization that participates in the CDBG program will retain its independence from Federal, State, and local governments, and may continue to carry out its mission, including the definition, practice, and expression of its religious beliefs, provided that it does not use direct CDBG funds to support any inherently religious activities, such as worship, religious instruction, or proselytization. Among other things, faith-based organizations may use space in their facilities to provide CDBG-funded services, without removing religious art, icons, scriptures, or other religious symbols. In addition, a CDBG-funded

religious organization retains its authority over its internal governance, and it may retain religious terms in its organization's name, select its board members on a religious basis, and include religious references in its organization's mission statements and other governing documents.

(4) An organization that participates in the CDBG program shall not, in providing program assistance, discriminate against a program beneficiary or prospective program beneficiary on the basis of religion or religious belief.

(5) CDBG funds may not be used for the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of structures to the extent that those structures are used for inherently religious activities. CDBG funds may be used for the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of structures only to the extent that those structures are used for conducting eligible activities under this part. Where a structure is used for both eligible and inherently religious activities, CDBG funds may not exceed the cost of those portions of the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation that are attributable to eligible activities in accordance with the cost accounting requirements applicable to CDBG funds in this part. Sanctuaries, chapels, or other rooms that a CDBG-funded religious congregation uses as its principal place of worship, however, are ineligible for CDBG-funded improvements. Disposition of real property after the term of the grant, or any change in use of the property during the term of the grant, is subject to government-wide regulations governing real property disposition (*see* 24 CFR parts 84 and 85).

(6) If a State or local government voluntarily contributes its own funds to supplement federally funded activities, the State or local government has the option to segregate the Federal funds or commingle them. However, if the funds are commingled, this section applies to all of the commingled funds.

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§ 570.201 *Basic eligible activities.*

CDBG funds may be used for the following activities:

(a) *Acquisition.* Acquisition in whole or in part by the recipient, or other public or private nonprofit entity, by purchase, long-term lease, donation, or otherwise, of real property (including air rights, water rights, rights-of-way, easements, and other interests therein) for any public purpose, subject to the limitations of § 570.207.

(b) *Disposition.* Disposition, through sale, lease, donation, or otherwise, of any real property acquired with CDBG funds or its retention for public purposes, including reasonable costs of temporarily managing such property or property acquired under urban renewal, provided that the proceeds from any such disposition shall be program income subject to the requirements set forth in § 570.504.

(c) *Public facilities and improvements.* Acquisition, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or installation of public facilities and improvements, except as provided in § 570.207(a), carried out by the recipient or other public or private nonprofit entities. (However, activities under this paragraph may be directed to the removal of material and architectural barriers that restrict the mobility and accessibility of elderly or severely disabled persons to public facilities and improvements, including those provided for in § 570.207(a)(1).) In undertaking such activities, design features and improvements which promote energy efficiency may be included. Such activities may also include the execution of architectural design features, and similar treatments intended to enhance the aesthetic quality of facilities and improvements receiving CDBG assistance, such as decorative pavements, railings, sculptures, pools of water and fountains, and other works of art. Facilities designed for use in providing shelter for persons having special needs are considered public facilities and not subject to the prohibition of new housing construction described in § 570.207(b)(3). Such facilities include shelters for the homeless; convalescent homes; hospitals, nursing homes; battered spouse shelters; halfway houses for run-away children, drug offenders or parolees; group

homes for mentally retarded persons and temporary housing for disaster victims. In certain cases, nonprofit entities and subrecipients including those specified in § 570.204 may acquire title to public facilities. When such facilities are owned by nonprofit entities or subrecipients, they shall be operated so as to be open for use by the general public during all normal hours of operation. Public facilities and improvements eligible for assistance under this paragraph are subject to the policies in § 570.200(b).

(d) *Clearance and remediation activities.* Clearance, demolition, and removal of buildings and improvements, including movement of structures to other sites and remediation of known or suspected environmental contamination. Demolition of HUD-assisted or HUD-owned housing units may be undertaken only with the prior approval of HUD. Remediation may include project-specific environmental assessment costs not otherwise eligible under § 570.205.

(e) *Public services.* Provision of public services (including labor, supplies, and materials) including but not limited to those concerned with employment, crime prevention, child care, health, drug abuse, education, fair housing counseling, energy conservation, welfare (but excluding the provision of income payments identified under § 570.207(b)(4)), homebuyer downpayment assistance, or recreational needs. To be eligible for CDBG assistance, a public service must be either a new service or a quantifiable increase in the level of an existing service above that which has been provided by or on behalf of the unit of general local government (through funds raised by the unit or received by the unit from the State in which it is located) in the 12 calendar months before the submission of the action plan. (An exception to this requirement may be made if HUD determines that any decrease in the level of a service was the result of events not within the control of the unit of general local government.) The amount of CDBG funds used for public services shall not exceed paragraphs (e) (1) or (2) of this section, as applicable:

(1) The amount of CDBG funds used for public services shall not exceed 15 percent of each grant, except that for entitlement grants made under subpart D of this part, the amount shall not exceed 15 percent of the grant plus 15 percent of program income, as defined in § 570.500(a). For entitlement grants under subpart D of this part, compliance is based on limiting the amount of CDBG funds obligated for public service activities in each program year to an amount no greater than 15 percent of the entitlement grant made for that program year plus 15 percent of the program income received during the grantee's immediately preceding program year.

(2) A recipient which obligated more CDBG funds for public services than 15 percent of its grant funded from Federal fiscal year 1982 or 1983 appropriations (excluding program income and any assistance received under Public Law 98-8), may obligate more CDBG funds than allowable under paragraph (e)(1) of this section, so long as the total amount obligated in any program year does not exceed:

(i) For an entitlement grantee, 15% of the program income it received during the preceding program year; plus

(ii) A portion of the grant received for the program year which is the highest of the following amounts:

(A) The amount determined by applying the percentage of the grant it obligated for public services in the 1982 program year against the grant for its current program year;

(B) The amount determined by applying the percentage of the grant it obligated for public services in the 1983 program year against the grant for its current program year;

(C) The amount of funds it obligated for public services in the 1982 program year; or,

(D) The amount of funds it obligated for public services in the 1983 program year.

(f) *Interim assistance.* (1) The following activities may be undertaken on an interim basis in areas exhibiting objectively determinable signs of physical deterioration where the recipient has determined that immediate action is necessary to arrest the deterioration and that permanent improvements will be carried out as soon as practicable:

(i) The repairing of streets, sidewalks, parks, playgrounds, publicly owned utilities, and public buildings; and

(ii) The execution of special garbage, trash, and debris removal, including neighborhood cleanup campaigns, but not the regular curbside collection of garbage or trash in an area.

(2) In order to alleviate emergency conditions threatening the public health and safety in areas where the chief executive officer of the recipient determines that such an emergency condition exists and requires immediate resolution, CDBG funds may be used for:

(i) The activities specified in paragraph (f)(1) of this section, except for the repair of parks and playgrounds;

(ii) The clearance of streets, including snow removal and similar activities, and

(iii) The improvement of private properties.

(3) All activities authorized under paragraph (f)(2) of this section are limited to the extent necessary to alleviate emergency conditions.

(g) *Payment of non-Federal share.* Payment of the non-Federal share required in connection with a Federal grant-in-aid program undertaken as part of CDBG activities, provided, that such payment shall be limited to activities otherwise eligible and in compliance with applicable requirements under this subpart.

(h) *Urban renewal completion.* Payment of the cost of completing an urban renewal project funded under title I of the Housing Act of 1949 as amended. Further information regarding the eligibility of such costs is set forth in § 570.801.

(i) *Relocation.* Relocation payments and other assistance for permanently and temporarily relocated individuals families, businesses, nonprofit organizations, and farm operations where the assistance is (1) required under the provisions of § 570.606 (b) or (c); or (2) determined by the grantee to be appropriate under the provisions of § 570.606(d).

(j) *Loss of rental income.* Payments to housing owners for losses of rental income incurred in holding, for temporary periods, housing units to be used for the relocation of individuals and families displaced by program activities assisted under this part.

(k) *Housing services.* Housing services, as provided in section 105(a)(21) of the Act (42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(21)).

(l) *Privately owned utilities.* CDBG funds may be used to acquire, construct, reconstruct, rehabilitate, or install the distribution lines and facilities of privately owned utilities, including the placing underground of new or existing distribution facilities and lines.

(m) *Construction of housing.* CDBG funds may be used for the construction of housing assisted under section 17 of the United States Housing Act of 1937.

(n) *Homeownership assistance.* CDBG funds may be used to provide direct homeownership assistance to low- or moderate-income households in accordance with section 105(a) of the Act.

(o)(1) The provision of assistance either through the recipient directly or through public and private organizations, agencies, and other subrecipients (including nonprofit and for-profit subrecipients) to facilitate economic development by:

(i) Providing credit, including, but not limited to, grants, loans, loan guarantees, and other forms of financial support, for the establishment, stabilization, and expansion of microenterprises;

(ii) Providing technical assistance, advice, and business support services to owners of microenterprises and persons developing microenterprises; and

(iii) Providing general support, including, but not limited to, peer support programs, counseling, child care, transportation, and other similar services, to owners of microenterprises and persons developing microenterprises.

(2) Services provided this paragraph (o) shall not be subject to the restrictions on public services contained in paragraph (e) of this section.

(3) For purposes of this paragraph (o), “persons developing microenterprises” means such persons who have expressed interest and who are, or after an initial screening process are expected to be, actively working toward developing businesses, each of which is expected to be a microenterprise at the time it is formed.

(4) Assistance under this paragraph (o) may also include training, technical assistance, or other support services to increase the capacity of the recipient or subrecipient to carry out the activities under this paragraph (o).

(p) *Technical assistance.* Provision of technical assistance to public or nonprofit entities to increase the capacity of such entities to carry out eligible neighborhood revitalization or economic development activities. (The recipient must determine, prior to the provision of the assistance, that the activity for which it is attempting to build capacity would be eligible for assistance under this subpart C, and that the national objective claimed by the grantee for this assistance can reasonably be expected to be met once the entity has received the technical assistance and undertakes the activity.) Capacity building for private or public entities (including grantees) for other purposes may be eligible under § 570.205.

(q) *Assistance to institutions of higher education.* Provision of assistance by the recipient to institutions of higher education when the grantee determines that such an institution has demonstrated a capacity to carry out eligible activities under this subpart C.

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§ 570.202 *Eligible rehabilitation and preservation activities.*

(a) *Types of buildings and improvements eligible for rehabilitation assistance.* CDBG funds may be used to finance the rehabilitation of:

(1) Privately owned buildings and improvements for residential purposes; improvements to a single-family residential property which is also used as a place of business, which are required in order to operate the business, need not be considered to be rehabilitation of a commercial or industrial building, if the improvements also provide general benefit to the residential occupants of the building;

(2) Low-income public housing and other publicly owned residential buildings and improvements;

(3) Publicly or privately owned commercial or industrial buildings, except that the rehabilitation of such buildings owned by a private for-profit business is limited to improvement to the exterior of the building, abatement of asbestos hazards, lead-based paint hazard evaluation and reduction, and the correction of code violations;

- (4) Nonprofit-owned nonresidential buildings and improvements not eligible under § 570.201(c); and
- (5) Manufactured housing when such housing constitutes part of the community's permanent housing stock.
- (b) *Types of assistance.* CDBG funds may be used to finance the following types of rehabilitation activities, and related costs, either singly, or in combination, through the use of grants, loans, loan guarantees, interest supplements, or other means for buildings and improvements described in paragraph (a) of this section, except that rehabilitation of commercial or industrial buildings is limited as described in paragraph (a)(3) of this section.
- (1) Assistance to private individuals and entities, including profit making and nonprofit organizations, to acquire for the purpose of rehabilitation, and to rehabilitate properties, for use or resale for residential purposes;
- (2) Labor, materials, and other costs of rehabilitation of properties, including repair directed toward an accumulation of deferred maintenance, replacement of principal fixtures and components of existing structures, installation of security devices, including smoke detectors and dead bolt locks, and renovation through alterations, additions to, or enhancement of existing structures and improvements, abatement of asbestos hazards (and other contaminants) in buildings and improvements that may be undertaken singly, or in combination;
- (3) Loans for refinancing existing indebtedness secured by a property being rehabilitated with CDBG funds if such financing is determined by the recipient to be necessary or appropriate to achieve the locality's community development objectives;
- (4) Improvements to increase the efficient use of energy in structures through such means as installation of storm windows and doors, siding, wall and attic insulation, and conversion, modification, or replacement of heating and cooling equipment, including the use of solar energy equipment;
- (5) Improvements to increase the efficient use of water through such means as water savings faucets and shower heads and repair of water leaks;
- (6) Connection of residential structures to water distribution lines or local sewer collection lines;
- (7) For rehabilitation carried out with CDBG funds, costs of:
- (i) Initial homeowner warranty premiums;
- (ii) Hazard insurance premiums, except where assistance is provided in the form of a grant; and
- (iii) Flood insurance premiums for properties covered by the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, pursuant to § 570.605.
- (8) Costs of acquiring tools to be lent to owners, tenants, and others who will use such tools to carry out rehabilitation;
- (9) Rehabilitation services, such as rehabilitation counseling, energy auditing, preparation of work specifications, loan processing, inspections, and other services related to assisting owners, tenants, contractors, and other entities, participating or seeking to participate in rehabilitation activities authorized under this section, under section 312 of the Housing Act of 1964, as amended, under section 810 of the Act, or under section 17 of the United States Housing Act of 1937;
- (10) Assistance for the rehabilitation of housing under section 17 of the United States Housing Act of 1937; and

(11) Improvements designed to remove material and architectural barriers that restrict the mobility and accessibility of elderly or severely disabled persons to buildings and improvements eligible for assistance under paragraph (a) of this section.

(c) *Code enforcement.* Costs incurred for inspection for code violations and enforcement of codes (e.g., salaries and related expenses of code enforcement inspectors and legal proceedings, but not including the cost of correcting the violations) in deteriorating or deteriorated areas when such enforcement together with public or private improvements, rehabilitation, or services to be provided may be expected to arrest the decline of the area.

(d) *Historic preservation.* CDBG funds may be used for the rehabilitation, preservation or restoration of historic properties, whether publicly or privately owned. Historic properties are those sites or structures that are either listed in or eligible to be listed in the National Register of Historic Places, listed in a State or local inventory of historic places, or designated as a State or local landmark or historic district by appropriate law or ordinance. Historic preservation, however, is not authorized for buildings for the general conduct of government.

(e) *Renovation of closed buildings.* CDBG funds may be used to renovate closed buildings, such as closed school buildings, for use as an eligible public facility or to rehabilitate such buildings for housing.

(f) *Lead-based paint activities.* Lead-based paint activities pursuant to § 570.608.

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§ 570.203 *Special economic development activities.*

A recipient may use CDBG funds for special economic development activities in addition to other activities authorized in this subpart that may be carried out as part of an economic development project. Guidelines for selecting activities to assist under this paragraph are provided at § 570.209. The recipient must ensure that the appropriate level of public benefit will be derived pursuant to those guidelines before obligating funds under this authority. Special activities authorized under this section do not include assistance for the construction of new housing. Activities eligible under this section may include costs associated with project-specific assessment or remediation of known or suspected environmental contamination. Special economic development activities include:

(a) The acquisition, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or installation of commercial or industrial buildings, structures, and other real property equipment and improvements, including railroad spurs or similar extensions. Such activities may be carried out by the recipient or public or private nonprofit subrecipients.

(b) The provision of assistance to a private for-profit business, including, but not limited to, grants, loans, loan guarantees, interest supplements, technical assistance, and other forms of support, for any activity where the assistance is appropriate to carry out an economic development project, excluding those described as ineligible in § 570.207(a). In selecting businesses to assist under this authority, the recipient shall minimize, to the extent practicable, displacement of existing businesses and jobs in neighborhoods.

(c) Economic development services in connection with activities eligible under this section, including, but not limited to, outreach efforts to market available forms of assistance; screening of applicants; reviewing and underwriting applications for assistance; preparation of all necessary agreements; management of assisted activities; and the screening, referral, and placement of applicants for employment opportunities generated by CDBG-eligible economic development activities, including the costs of providing necessary training for persons filling those positions.

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§ 570.204 Special activities by Community-Based Development Organizations (CBDOs).

(a) *Eligible activities.* The recipient may provide CDBG funds as grants or loans to any CBDO qualified under this section to carry out a neighborhood revitalization, community economic development, or energy conservation project. The funded project activities may include those listed as eligible under this subpart, and, except as described in paragraph (b) of this section, activities not otherwise listed as eligible under this subpart. For purposes of qualifying as a project under paragraphs (a)(1), (a)(2), and (a)(3) of this section, the funded activity or activities may be considered either alone or in concert with other project activities either being carried out or for which funding has been committed. For purposes of this section:

(1) Neighborhood revitalization project includes activities of sufficient size and scope to have an impact on the decline of a geographic location within the jurisdiction of a unit of general local government (but not the entire jurisdiction) designated in comprehensive plans, ordinances, or other local documents as a neighborhood, village, or similar geographical designation; or the entire jurisdiction of a unit of general local government which is under 25,000 population;

(2) Community economic development project includes activities that increase economic opportunity, principally for persons of low- and moderate-income, or that stimulate or retain businesses or permanent jobs, including projects that include one or more such activities that are clearly needed to address a lack of affordable housing accessible to existing or planned jobs and those activities specified at 24 CFR 91.1(a)(1)(iii); activities under this paragraph may include costs associated with project-specific assessment or remediation of known or suspected environmental contamination;

(3) Energy conservation project includes activities that address energy conservation, principally for the benefit of the residents of the recipient's jurisdiction; and

(4) To carry out a project means that the CBDO undertakes the funded activities directly or through contract with an entity other than the grantee, or through the provision of financial assistance for activities in which it retains a direct and controlling involvement and responsibilities.

(b) *Ineligible activities.* Notwithstanding that CBDOs may carry out activities that are not otherwise eligible under this subpart, this section does not authorize:

(1) Carrying out an activity described as ineligible in § 570.207(a);

(2) Carrying out public services that do not meet the requirements of § 570.201(e), except that:

(i) Services carried out under this section that are specifically designed to increase economic opportunities through job training and placement and other employment support services, including, but not limited to, peer support programs, counseling, child care, transportation, and other similar services; and

(ii) Services of any type carried out under this section pursuant to a strategy approved by HUD under the provisions of 24 CFR 91.215(e) shall not be subject to the limitations in § 570.201(e)(1) or (2), as applicable;

(3) Providing assistance to activities that would otherwise be eligible under § 570.203 that do not meet the requirements of § 570.209; or

(4) Carrying out an activity that would otherwise be eligible under § 570.205 or § 570.206, but that would result in the recipient's exceeding the spending limitation in § 570.200(g).

(c) *Eligible CBDOs.* (1) A CBDO qualifying under this section is an organization which has the following characteristics:

(i) Is an association or corporation organized under State or local law to engage in community development activities (which may include housing and economic development activities) primarily within an identified geographic area of operation within the jurisdiction of the recipient, or in the case of an urban county, the jurisdiction of the county; and

(ii) Has as its primary purpose the improvement of the physical, economic or social environment of its geographic area of operation by addressing one or more critical problems of the area, with particular attention to the needs of persons of low and moderate income; and

(iii) May be either non-profit or for-profit, provided any monetary profits to its shareholders or members must be only incidental to its operations; and

(iv) Maintains at least 51 percent of its governing body's membership for low- and moderate-income residents of its geographic area of operation, owners or senior officers of private establishments and other institutions located in and serving its geographic area of operation, or representatives of low- and moderate-income neighborhood organizations located in its geographic area of operation; and

(v) Is not an agency or instrumentality of the recipient and does not permit more than one-third of the membership of its governing body to be appointed by, or to consist of, elected or other public officials or employees or officials of an ineligible entity (even though such persons may be otherwise qualified under paragraph (c)(1)(iv) of this section); and

(vi) Except as otherwise authorized in paragraph (c)(1)(v) of this section, requires the members of its governing body to be nominated and approved by the general membership of the organization, or by its permanent governing body; and

(vii) Is not subject to requirements under which its assets revert to the recipient upon dissolution; and

(viii) Is free to contract for goods and services from vendors of its own choosing.

(2) A CBDO that does not meet the criteria in paragraph (c)(1) of this section may also qualify as an eligible entity under this section if it meets one of the following requirements:

(i) Is an entity organized pursuant to section 301(d) of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 681(d)), including those which are profit making; or

(ii) Is an SBA approved Section 501 State Development Company or Section 502 Local Development Company, or an SBA Certified Section 503 Company under the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, as amended; or

(iii) Is a Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) under 24 CFR 92.2, designated as a CHDO by the HOME Investment Partnerships program participating jurisdiction, with a geographic area of operation of no more than one neighborhood, and has received HOME funds under 24 CFR 92.300 or is expected to receive HOME funds as described in and documented in accordance with 24 CFR 92.300(e).

(3) A CBDO that does not qualify under paragraph (c)(1) or (2) of this section may also be determined to qualify as an eligible entity under this section if the recipient demonstrates to the satisfaction of HUD, through the provision of information regarding the organization's charter and by-laws, that the organization is sufficiently similar in purpose, function, and scope to those entities qualifying under paragraph (c)(1) or (2) of this section.

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§ 570.205 Eligible planning, urban environmental design and policy-planning-management-capacity building activities.

(a) Planning activities which consist of all costs of data gathering, studies, analysis, and preparation of plans and the identification of actions that will implement such plans, including, but not limited to:

(1) Comprehensive plans;

(2) Community development plans;

(3) Functional plans, in areas such as:

(i) Housing, including the development of a consolidated plan;

(ii) Land use and urban environmental design;

(iii) Economic development;

(iv) Open space and recreation;

(v) Energy use and conservation;

(vi) Floodplain and wetlands management in accordance with the requirements of Executive Orders 11988 and 11990;

(vii) Transportation;

(viii) Utilities; and

(ix) Historic preservation.

(4) Other plans and studies such as:

(i) Small area and neighborhood plans;

(ii) Capital improvements programs;

(iii) Individual project plans (but excluding engineering and design costs related to a specific activity which are eligible as part of the cost of such activity under §§ 570.201-570.204);

(iv) The reasonable costs of general environmental, urban environmental design and historic preservation studies; and general environmental assessment- and remediation-oriented planning related to properties with known or suspected environmental contamination. However, costs necessary to comply with 24 CFR part 58, including project specific environmental assessments and clearances for activities eligible for assistance under this part, are eligible as part of the cost of such activities under §§ 570.201-570.204. Costs for such specific assessments and clearances may also be incurred under this paragraph but would then be considered planning costs for the purposes of § 570.200(g);

(v) Strategies and action programs to implement plans, including the development of codes, ordinances and regulations;

(vi) Support of clearinghouse functions, such as those specified in Executive Order 12372; and

(vii) Analysis of impediments to fair housing choice.

(viii) Developing an inventory of properties with known or suspected environmental contamination.

(5) [Reserved]

(6) Policy—planning—management—capacity building activities which will enable the recipient to:

(1) Determine its needs;

(2) Set long-term goals and short-term objectives, including those related to urban environmental design;

(3) Devise programs and activities to meet these goals and objectives;

(4) Evaluate the progress of such programs and activities in accomplishing these goals and objectives; and

(5) Carry out management, coordination and monitoring of activities necessary for effective planning implementation, but excluding the costs necessary to implement such plans.

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§ 570.206 *Program administrative costs.*

Payment of reasonable administrative costs and carrying charges related to the planning and execution of community development activities assisted in whole or in part with funds provided under this part and, where applicable, housing activities (described in paragraph (g) of this section) covered in the recipient's housing assistance plan. This does not include staff and overhead costs directly related to carrying out activities eligible under § 570.201 through § 570.204, since those costs are eligible as part of such activities.

(a) *General management, oversight and coordination.* Reasonable costs of overall program management, coordination, monitoring, and evaluation. Such costs include, but are not necessarily limited to, necessary expenditures for the following:

(1) Salaries, wages, and related costs of the recipient's staff, the staff of local public agencies, or other staff engaged in program administration. In charging costs to this category the recipient may either include the entire salary, wages, and related costs allocable to the program of each person whose *primary* responsibilities with regard to the program involve program administration assignments, or the pro rata share of the salary, wages, and related costs of each person whose job includes *any* program administration assignments. The recipient may use only one of these methods during the program year (or the grant period for grants under subpart F). Program administration includes the following types of assignments:

(i) Providing local officials and citizens with information about the program;

(ii) Preparing program budgets and schedules, and amendments thereto;

(iii) Developing systems for assuring compliance with program requirements;

(iv) Developing interagency agreements and agreements with subrecipients and contractors to carry out program activities;

(v) Monitoring program activities for progress and compliance with program requirements;

- (vi) Preparing reports and other documents related to the program for submission to HUD;
 - (vii) Coordinating the resolution of audit and monitoring findings;
 - (viii) Evaluating program results against stated objectives; and
 - (ix) Managing or supervising persons whose primary responsibilities with regard to the program include such assignments as those described in paragraph (a)(1)(i) through (viii) of this section.
- (2) Travel costs incurred for official business in carrying out the program;
 - (3) Administrative services performed under third party contracts or agreements, including such services as general legal services, accounting services, and audit services; and
 - (4) Other costs for goods and services required for administration of the program, including such goods and services as rental or purchase of equipment, insurance, utilities, office supplies, and rental and maintenance (but not purchase) of office space.
- (b) *Public information.* The provisions of information and other resources to residents and citizen organizations participating in the planning, implementation, or assessment of activities being assisted with CDBG funds.
- (c) *Fair housing activities.* Provision of fair housing services designed to further the fair housing objectives of the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-20) by making all persons, without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status or handicap, aware of the range of housing opportunities available to them; other fair housing enforcement, education, and outreach activities; and other activities designed to further the housing objective of avoiding undue concentrations of assisted persons in areas containing a high proportion of low and moderate income persons.
- (d) [Reserved]
- (e) *Indirect costs.* Indirect costs may be charged to the CDBG program under a cost allocation plan prepared in accordance with OMB Circular A-21, A-87, or A-122 as applicable.
- (f) *Submission of applications for federal programs.* Preparation of documents required for submission to HUD to receive funds under the CDBG and UDAG programs. In addition, CDBG funds may be used to prepare applications for other Federal programs where the recipient determines that such activities are necessary or appropriate to achieve its community development objectives.
- (g) *Administrative expenses to facilitate housing.* CDBG funds may be used for necessary administrative expenses in planning or obtaining financing for housing as follows: for entitlement recipients, assistance authorized by this paragraph is limited to units which are identified in the recipient's HUD approved housing assistance plan; for HUD-administered small cities recipients, assistance authorized by the paragraph is limited to facilitating the purchase or occupancy of existing units which are to be occupied by low and moderate income households, or the construction of rental or owner units where at least 20 percent of the units in each project will be occupied at affordable rents/costs by low and moderate income persons. Examples of eligible actions are as follows:
- (1) The cost of conducting preliminary surveys and analysis of market needs;
 - (2) Site and utility plans, narrative descriptions of the proposed construction, preliminary cost estimates, urban design documentation, and "sketch drawings," but excluding architectural, engineering, and other details ordinarily required for construction purposes, such as structural, electrical, plumbing, and mechanical details;

(3) Reasonable costs associated with development of applications for mortgage and insured loan commitments, including commitment fees, and of applications and proposals under the Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments Program pursuant to 24 CFR parts 880-883;

(4) Fees associated with processing of applications for mortgage or insured loan commitments under programs including those administered by HUD, Farmers Home Administration (FmHA), Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA), and the Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA);

(5) The cost of issuance and administration of mortgage revenue bonds used to finance the acquisition, rehabilitation or construction of housing, but excluding costs associated with the payment or guarantee of the principal or interest on such bonds; and

(6) Special outreach activities which result in greater landlord participation in Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments Program-Existing Housing or similar programs for low and moderate income persons.

(h) *Section 17 of the United States Housing Act of 1937.* Reasonable costs equivalent to those described in paragraphs (a), (b), (e) and (f) of this section for overall program management of the Rental Rehabilitation and Housing Development programs authorized under section 17 of the United States Housing Act of 1937, whether or not such activities are otherwise assisted with funds provided under this part.

(i) Whether or not such activities are otherwise assisted by funds provided under this part, reasonable costs equivalent to those described in paragraphs (a), (b), (e), and (f) of this section for overall program management of:

(1) A Federally designated Empowerment Zone or Enterprise Community; and

(2) The HOME program under title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 12701 note).

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§ 570.207 Ineligible activities.

The general rule is that any activity that is not authorized under the provisions of §§ 570.201-570.206 is ineligible to be assisted with CDBG funds. This section identifies specific activities that are ineligible and provides guidance in determining the eligibility of other activities frequently associated with housing and community development.

(a) The following activities may not be assisted with CDBG funds:

(1) *Buildings or portions thereof, used for the general conduct of government* as defined at § 570.3(d) cannot be assisted with CDBG funds. This does not include, however, the removal of architectural barriers under § 570.201(c) involving any such building. Also, where acquisition of real property includes an existing improvement which is to be used in the provision of a building for the general conduct of government, the portion of the acquisition cost attributable to the land is eligible, provided such acquisition meets a national objective described in § 570.208.

(2) *General government expenses.* Except as otherwise specifically authorized in this subpart or under OMB Circular A-87, expenses required to carry out the regular responsibilities of the unit of general local government are not eligible for assistance under this part.

(3) *Political activities.* CDBG funds shall not be used to finance the use of facilities or equipment for political purposes or to engage in other partisan political activities, such as candidate forums, voter transportation, or voter registration. However, a facility originally assisted with CDBG funds may be used

on an incidental basis to hold political meetings, candidate forums, or voter registration campaigns, provided that all parties and organizations have access to the facility on an equal basis, and are assessed equal rent or use charges, if any.

(b) The following activities may not be assisted with CDBG funds unless authorized under provisions of § 570.203 or as otherwise specifically noted herein or when carried out by an entity under the provisions of § 570.204.

(1) *Purchase of equipment.* The purchase of equipment with CDBG funds is generally ineligible.

(i) *Construction equipment.* The purchase of construction equipment is ineligible, but compensation for the use of such equipment through leasing, depreciation, or use allowances pursuant to OMB Circulars A-21, A-87 or A-122 as applicable for an otherwise eligible activity is an eligible use of CDBG funds. However, the purchase of construction equipment for use as part of a solid waste disposal facility is eligible under § 570.201(c).

(ii) *Fire protection equipment.* Fire protection equipment is considered for this purpose to be an integral part of a public facility and thus, purchase of such equipment would be eligible under § 570.201(c).

(iii) *Furnishings and personal property.* The purchase of equipment, fixtures, motor vehicles, furnishings, or other personal property not an integral structural fixture is generally ineligible. CDBG funds may be used, however, to purchase or to pay depreciation or use allowances (in accordance with OMB Circular A-21, A-87 or A-122, as applicable) for such items when necessary for use by a recipient or its subrecipients in the administration of activities assisted with CDBG funds, or when eligible as fire fighting equipment, or when such items constitute all or part of a public service pursuant to § 570.201(e).

(2) *Operating and maintenance expenses.* The general rule is that any expense associated with repairing, operating or maintaining public facilities, improvements and services is ineligible. Specific exceptions to this general rule are operating and maintenance expenses associated with public service activities, interim assistance, and office space for program staff employed in carrying out the CDBG program. For example, the use of CDBG funds to pay the allocable costs of operating and maintaining a facility used in providing a public service would be eligible under § 570.201(e), even if no other costs of providing such a service are assisted with such funds. Examples of ineligible operating and maintenance expenses are:

(i) Maintenance and repair of publicly owned streets, parks, playgrounds, water and sewer facilities, neighborhood facilities, senior centers, centers for persons with a disabilities, parking and other public facilities and improvements. Examples of maintenance and repair activities for which CDBG funds may not be used include the filling of pot holes in streets, repairing of cracks in sidewalks, the mowing of recreational areas, and the replacement of expended street light bulbs; and

(ii) Payment of salaries for staff, utility costs and similar expenses necessary for the operation of public works and facilities.

(3) *New housing construction.* For the purpose of this paragraph, activities in support of the development of low or moderate income housing including clearance, site assemblage, provision of site improvements and provision of public improvements and certain housing pre-construction costs set forth in § 570.206(g), are not considered as activities to subsidize or assist new residential construction. CDBG funds may not be used for the construction of new permanent residential structures or for any program to subsidize or assist such new construction, except:

(i) As provided under the last resort housing provisions set forth in 24 CFR part 42;

(ii) As authorized under § 570.201(m) or (n);

(iii) When carried out by an entity pursuant to § 570.204(a);

(4) *Income payments.* The general rule is that CDBG funds may not be used for income payments. For purposes of the CDBG program, “income payments” means a series of subsistence-type grant payments made to an individual or family for items such as food, clothing, housing (rent or mortgage), or utilities, but excludes emergency grant payments made over a period of up to three consecutive months to the provider of such items or services on behalf of an individual or family.

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§ 570.208 *Criteria for national objectives.*

The following criteria shall be used to determine whether a CDBG-assisted activity complies with one or more of the national objectives as required under § 570.200(a)(2):

(a) *Activities benefiting low- and moderate-income persons.* Activities meeting the criteria in paragraph (a) (1), (2), (3), or (4) of this section as applicable, will be considered to benefit low and moderate income persons unless there is substantial evidence to the contrary. In assessing any such evidence, the full range of direct effects of the assisted activity will be considered. (The recipient shall appropriately ensure that activities that meet these criteria do not benefit moderate income persons to the exclusion of low income persons.)

(1) *Area benefit activities.* (i) An activity, the benefits of which are available to all the residents in a particular area, where at least 51 percent of the residents are low and moderate income persons. Such an area need not be coterminous with census tracts or other officially recognized boundaries but must be the entire area served by the activity. An activity that serves an area that is not primarily residential in character shall not qualify under this criterion.

(ii) For metropolitan cities and urban counties, an activity that would otherwise qualify under § 570.208(a)(1)(i), except that the area served contains less than 51 percent low- and moderate-income residents, will also be considered to meet the objective of benefiting low- and moderate-income persons where the proportion of such persons in the area is within the highest quartile of all areas in the recipient's jurisdiction in terms of the degree of concentration of such persons. This exception is inapplicable to non-entitlement CDBG grants in Hawaii. In applying this exception, HUD will determine the lowest proportion a recipient may use to qualify an area for this purpose, as follows:

(A) All census block groups in the recipient's jurisdiction shall be rank ordered from the block group of highest proportion of low and moderate income persons to the block group with the lowest. For urban counties, the rank ordering shall cover the entire area constituting the urban county and shall not be done separately for each participating unit of general local government.

(B) In any case where the total number of a recipient's block groups does not divide evenly by four, the block group which would be fractionally divided between the highest and second quartiles shall be considered to be part of the highest quartile.

(C) The proportion of low and moderate income persons in the last census block group in the highest quartile shall be identified. Any service area located within the recipient's jurisdiction and having a proportion of low and moderate income persons at or above this level shall be considered to be within the highest quartile.

(D) If block group data are not available for the entire jurisdiction, other data acceptable to the Secretary may be used in the above calculations.

(iii) An activity to develop, establish, and operate for up to two years after the establishment of, a uniform emergency telephone number system serving an area having less than the percentage of low- and moderate-income residents required under paragraph (a)(1)(i) of this section or (as applicable) paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of

this section, provided the recipient obtains prior HUD approval. To obtain such approval, the recipient must:

(A) Demonstrate that the system will contribute significantly to the safety of the residents of the area. The request for approval must include a list of the emergency services that will participate in the emergency telephone number system;

(B) Submit information that serves as a basis for HUD to determine whether at least 51 percent of the use of the system will be by low- and moderate-income persons. As available, the recipient must provide information that identifies the total number of calls actually received over the preceding 12-month period for each of the emergency services to be covered by the emergency telephone number system and relates those calls to the geographic segment (expressed as nearly as possible in terms of census tracts, block numbering areas, block groups, or combinations thereof that are contained within the segment) of the service area from which the calls were generated. In analyzing this data to meet the requirements of this section, HUD will assume that the distribution of income among the callers generally reflects the income characteristics of the general population residing in the same geographic area where the callers reside. If HUD can conclude that the users have primarily consisted of low- and moderate-income persons, no further submission is needed by the recipient. If a recipient plans to make other submissions for this purpose, it may request that HUD review its planned methodology before expending the effort to acquire the information it expects to use to make its case;

(C) Demonstrate that other Federal funds received by the recipient are insufficient or unavailable for a uniform emergency telephone number system. For this purpose, the recipient must submit a statement explaining whether the lack of funds is due to the insufficiency of the amount of the available funds, restrictions on the use of such funds, or the prior commitment of funds by the recipient for other purposes; and

(D) Demonstrate that the percentage of the total costs of the system paid for by CDBG funds does not exceed the percentage of low- and moderate-income persons in the service area of the system. For this purpose, the recipient must include a description of the boundaries of the service area of the emergency telephone number system, the census divisions that fall within the boundaries of the service area (census tracts or block numbering areas), the total number of persons and the total number of low- and moderate-income persons within each census division, the percentage of low- and moderate-income persons within the service area, and the total cost of the system.

(iv) An activity for which the assistance to a public improvement that provides benefits to all the residents of an area is limited to paying special assessments (as defined in § 570.200(c)) levied against residential properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income.

(v) For purposes of determining qualification under this criterion, activities of the same type that serve different areas will be considered separately on the basis of their individual service area.

(vi) In determining whether there is a sufficiently large percentage of low- and moderate-income persons residing in the area served by an activity to qualify under paragraph (a)(1) (i), (ii), or (vii) of this section, the most recently available decennial census information must be used to the fullest extent feasible, together with the section 8 income limits that would have applied at the time the income information was collected by the Census Bureau. Recipients that believe that the census data does not reflect current relative income levels in an area, or where census boundaries do not coincide sufficiently well with the service area of an activity, may conduct (or have conducted) a current survey of the residents of the area to determine the percent of such persons that are low and moderate income. HUD will accept information obtained through such surveys, to be used in lieu of the decennial census data, where it determines that the survey was conducted in such a manner that the results meet standards of statistical reliability that are comparable to that of the decennial census data for areas of similar size. Where there is substantial evidence that provides a clear basis to believe that the use of the decennial census data would substantially overstate the proportion of persons residing there that are low and moderate income, HUD may require that the recipient rebut such evidence in order to demonstrate compliance with section 105(c)(2) of the Act.

(vii) Activities meeting the requirements of paragraph (d)(5)(i) of this section may be considered to qualify under this paragraph, provided that the area covered by the strategy is either a Federally-designated Empowerment Zone or Enterprise Community or primarily residential and contains a percentage of low- and moderate-income residents that is no less than the percentage computed by HUD pursuant to paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of this section or 70 percent, whichever is less, but in no event less than 51 percent. Activities meeting the requirements of paragraph (d)(6)(i) of this section may also be considered to qualify under paragraph (a)(1) of this section.

(2) *Limited clientele activities.* (i) An activity which benefits a limited clientele, at least 51 percent of whom are low- or moderate-income persons. (The following kinds of activities may not qualify under paragraph (a)(2) of this section: activities, the benefits of which are available to all the residents of an area; activities involving the acquisition, construction or rehabilitation of property for housing; or activities where the benefit to low- and moderate-income persons to be considered is the creation or retention of jobs, except as provided in paragraph (a)(2)(iv) of this section.) To qualify under paragraph (a)(2) of this section, the activity must meet one of the following tests:

(A) Benefit a clientele who are generally presumed to be principally low and moderate income persons. Activities that exclusively serve a group of persons in any one or a combination of the following categories may be presumed to benefit persons, 51 percent of whom are low- and moderate-income: abused children, battered spouses, elderly persons, adults meeting the Bureau of the Census' Current Population Reports definition of "severely disabled," homeless persons, illiterate adults, persons living with AIDS, and migrant farm workers; or

(B) Require information on family size and income so that it is evident that at least 51 percent of the clientele are persons whose family income does not exceed the low and moderate income limit; or

(C) Have income eligibility requirements which limit the activity exclusively to low and moderate income persons; or

(D) Be of such nature and be in such location that it may be concluded that the activity's clientele will primarily be low and moderate income persons.

(ii) An activity that serves to remove material or architectural barriers to the mobility or accessibility of elderly persons or of adults meeting the Bureau of the Census' Current Population Reports definition of "severely disabled" will be presumed to qualify under this criterion if it is restricted, to the extent practicable, to the removal of such barriers by assisting:

(A) The reconstruction of a public facility or improvement, or portion thereof, that does not qualify under paragraph (a)(1) of this section;

(B) The rehabilitation of a privately owned nonresidential building or improvement that does not qualify under paragraph (a)(1) or (4) of this section; or

(C) The rehabilitation of the common areas of a residential structure that contains more than one dwelling unit and that does not qualify under paragraph (a)(3) of this section.

(iii) A microenterprise assistance activity carried out in accordance with the provisions of § 570.201(o) with respect to those owners of microenterprises and persons developing microenterprises assisted under the activity during each program year who are low- and moderate-income persons. For purposes of this paragraph, persons determined to be low and moderate income may be presumed to continue to qualify as such for up to a three-year period.

(iv) An activity designed to provide job training and placement and/or other employment support services, including, but not limited to, peer support programs, counseling, child care, transportation, and other similar services, in which the percentage of low- and moderate-income persons assisted is less than 51 percent may qualify under this paragraph in the following limited circumstance:

(A) In such cases where such training or provision of supportive services assists business(es), the only use of CDBG assistance for the project is to provide the job training and/or supportive services; and

(B) The proportion of the total cost of the project borne by CDBG funds is no greater than the proportion of the total number of persons assisted who are low or moderate income.

(3) *Housing activities.* An eligible activity carried out for the purpose of providing or improving permanent residential structures which, upon completion, will be occupied by low- and moderate-income households. This would include, but not necessarily be limited to, the acquisition or rehabilitation of property by the recipient, a subrecipient, a developer, an individual homebuyer, or an individual homeowner; conversion of nonresidential structures; and new housing construction. If the structure contains two dwelling units, at least one must be so occupied, and if the structure contains more than two dwelling units, at least 51 percent of the units must be so occupied. Where two or more rental buildings being assisted are or will be located on the same or contiguous properties, and the buildings will be under common ownership and management, the grouped buildings may be considered for this purpose as a single structure. Where housing activities being assisted meet the requirements of paragraph § 570.208 (d)(5)(ii) or (d)(6)(ii) of this section, all such housing may also be considered for this purpose as a single structure. For rental housing, occupancy by low and moderate income households must be at affordable rents to qualify under this criterion. The recipient shall adopt and make public its standards for determining “affordable rents” for this purpose. The following shall also qualify under this criterion:

(i) When less than 51 percent of the units in a structure will be occupied by low and moderate income households, CDBG assistance may be provided in the following limited circumstances:

(A) The assistance is for an eligible activity to reduce the development cost of the new construction of a multifamily, non-elderly rental housing project;

(B) Not less than 20 percent of the units will be occupied by low and moderate income households at affordable rents; and

(C) The proportion of the total cost of developing the project to be borne by CDBG funds is no greater than the proportion of units in the project that will be occupied by low and moderate income households.

(ii) When CDBG funds are used to assist rehabilitation eligible under § 570.202(b)(9) or (10) in direct support of the recipient's Rental Rehabilitation program authorized under 24 CFR part 511, such funds shall be considered to benefit low and moderate income persons where not less than 51 percent of the units assisted, or to be assisted, by the recipient's Rental Rehabilitation program overall are for low and moderate income persons.

(iii) When CDBG funds are used for housing services eligible under § 570.201(k), such funds shall be considered to benefit low- and moderate-income persons if the housing units for which the services are provided are HOME-assisted and the requirements at 24 CFR 92.252 or 92.254 are met.

(4) *Job creation or retention activities.* An activity designed to create or retain permanent jobs where at least 51 percent of the jobs, computed on a full time equivalent basis, involve the employment of low- and moderate-income persons. To qualify under this paragraph, the activity must meet the following criteria:

(i) For an activity that creates jobs, the recipient must document that at least 51 percent of the jobs will be held by, or will be available to, low- and moderate-income persons.

(ii) For an activity that retains jobs, the recipient must document that the jobs would actually be lost without the CDBG assistance and that either or both of the following conditions apply with respect to at least 51 percent of the jobs at the time the CDBG assistance is provided:

(A) The job is known to be held by a low- or moderate-income person; or

(B) The job can reasonably be expected to turn over within the following two years and that steps will be taken to ensure that it will be filled by, or made available to, a low- or moderate-income person upon turnover.

(iii) Jobs that are not held or filled by a low- or moderate-income person may be considered to be available to low- and moderate-income persons for these purposes only if:

(A) Special skills that can only be acquired with substantial training or work experience or education beyond high school are not a prerequisite to fill such jobs, or the business agrees to hire unqualified persons and provide training; and

(B) The recipient and the assisted business take actions to ensure that low- and moderate-income persons receive first consideration for filling such jobs.

(iv) For purposes of determining whether a job is held by or made available to a low- or moderate-income person, the person may be presumed to be a low- or moderate-income person if:

(A) He/she resides within a census tract (or block numbering area) that either:

(1) Meets the requirements of paragraph (a)(4)(v) of this section; or

(2) Has at least 70 percent of its residents who are low- and moderate-income persons; or

(B) The assisted business is located within a census tract (or block numbering area) that meets the requirements of paragraph (a)(4)(v) of this section and the job under consideration is to be located within that census tract.

(v) A census tract (or block numbering area) qualifies for the presumptions permitted under paragraphs (a)(4)(iv)(A)(1) and (B) of this section if it is either part of a Federally-designated Empowerment Zone or Enterprise Community or meets the following criteria:

(A) It has a poverty rate of at least 20 percent as determined by the most recently available decennial census information;

(B) It does not include any portion of a central business district, as this term is used in the most recent Census of Retail Trade, unless the tract has a poverty rate of at least 30 percent as determined by the most recently available decennial census information; and

(C) It evidences pervasive poverty and general distress by meeting at least one of the following standards:

(1) All block groups in the census tract have poverty rates of at least 20 percent;

(2) The specific activity being undertaken is located in a block group that has a poverty rate of at least 20 percent; or

(3) Upon the written request of the recipient, HUD determines that the census tract exhibits other objectively determinable signs of general distress such as high incidence of crime, narcotics use, homelessness, abandoned housing, and deteriorated infrastructure or substantial population decline.

(vi) As a general rule, each assisted business shall be considered to be a separate activity for purposes of determining whether the activity qualifies under this paragraph, except:

(A) In certain cases such as where CDBG funds are used to acquire, develop or improve a real property (e.g., a business incubator or an industrial park) the requirement may be met by measuring jobs in the

aggregate for all the businesses which locate on the property, provided such businesses are not otherwise assisted by CDBG funds.

(B) Where CDBG funds are used to pay for the staff and overhead costs of an entity making loans to businesses exclusively from non-CDBG funds, this requirement may be met by aggregating the jobs created by all of the businesses receiving loans during each program year.

(C) Where CDBG funds are used by a recipient or subrecipient to provide technical assistance to businesses, this requirement may be met by aggregating the jobs created or retained by all of the businesses receiving technical assistance during each program year.

(D) Where CDBG funds are used for activities meeting the criteria listed at § 570.209(b)(2)(v), this requirement may be met by aggregating the jobs created or retained by all businesses for which CDBG assistance is obligated for such activities during the program year, except as provided at paragraph (d)(7) of this section.

(E) Where CDBG funds are used by a Community Development Financial Institution to carry out activities for the purpose of creating or retaining jobs, this requirement may be met by aggregating the jobs created or retained by all businesses for which CDBG assistance is obligated for such activities during the program year, except as provided at paragraph (d)(7) of this section.

(F) Where CDBG funds are used for public facilities or improvements which will result in the creation or retention of jobs by more than one business, this requirement may be met by aggregating the jobs created or retained by all such businesses as a result of the public facility or improvement.

(1) Where the public facility or improvement is undertaken principally for the benefit of one or more particular businesses, but where other businesses might also benefit from the assisted activity, the requirement may be met by aggregating only the jobs created or retained by those businesses for which the facility/improvement is principally undertaken, provided that the cost (in CDBG funds) for the facility/improvement is less than \$10,000 per permanent full-time equivalent job to be created or retained by those businesses.

(2) In any case where the cost per job to be created or retained (as determined under paragraph (a)(4)(vi)(F)(1) of this section) is \$10,000 or more, the requirement must be met by aggregating the jobs created or retained as a result of the public facility or improvement by all businesses in the service area of the facility/improvement. This aggregation must include businesses which, as a result of the public facility/improvement, locate or expand in the service area of the facility/improvement between the date the recipient identifies the activity in its action plan under part 91 of this title and the date one year after the physical completion of the facility/improvement. In addition, the assisted activity must comply with the public benefit standards at § 570.209(b).

(b) *Activities which aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight.* Activities meeting one or more of the following criteria, in the absence of substantial evidence to the contrary, will be considered to aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight:

(1) *Activities to address slums or blight on an area basis.* An activity will be considered to address prevention or elimination of slums or blight in an area if:

(i) The area, delineated by the recipient, meets a definition of a slum, blighted, deteriorated or deteriorating area under State or local law;

(ii) The area also meets the conditions in either paragraph (A) or (B):

(A) At least 25 percent of properties throughout the area experience one or more of the following conditions:

- (1) Physical deterioration of buildings or improvements;
- (2) Abandonment of properties;
- (3) Chronic high occupancy turnover rates or chronic high vacancy rates in commercial or industrial buildings;
- (4) Significant declines in property values or abnormally low property values relative to other areas in the community; or
- (5) Known or suspected environmental contamination.

(B) The public improvements throughout the area are in a general state of deterioration.

(iii) Documentation is to be maintained by the recipient on the boundaries of the area and the conditions and standards used that qualified the area at the time of its designation. The recipient shall establish definitions of the conditions listed at § 570.208(b)(1)(ii)(A), and maintain records to substantiate how the area met the slums or blighted criteria. The designation of an area as slum or blighted under this section is required to be redetermined every 10 years for continued qualification. Documentation must be retained pursuant to the recordkeeping requirements contained at § 570.506 (b)(8)(ii).

(iv) The assisted activity addresses one or more of the conditions which contributed to the deterioration of the area. Rehabilitation of residential buildings carried out in an area meeting the above requirements will be considered to address the area's deterioration only where each such building rehabilitated is considered substandard under local definition before rehabilitation, and all deficiencies making a building substandard have been eliminated if less critical work on the building is undertaken. At a minimum, the local definition for this purpose must be such that buildings that it would render substandard would also fail to meet the housing quality standards for the Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments Program-Existing Housing (24 CFR 882.109).

(2) *Activities to address slums or blight on a spot basis.* The following activities may be undertaken on a spot basis to eliminate specific conditions of blight, physical decay, or environmental contamination that are not located in a slum or blighted area: acquisition; clearance; relocation; historic preservation; remediation of environmentally contaminated properties; or rehabilitation of buildings or improvements. However, rehabilitation must be limited to eliminating those conditions that are detrimental to public health and safety. If acquisition or relocation is undertaken, it must be a precursor to another eligible activity (funded with CDBG or other resources) that directly eliminates the specific conditions of blight or physical decay, or environmental contamination.

(3) *Activities to address slums or blight in an urban renewal area.* An activity will be considered to address prevention or elimination of slums or blight in an urban renewal area if the activity is:

- (i) Located within an urban renewal project area or Neighborhood Development Program (NDP) action area; i.e., an area in which funded activities were authorized under an urban renewal Loan and Grant Agreement or an annual NDP Funding Agreement, pursuant to title I of the Housing Act of 1949; and
- (ii) Necessary to complete the urban renewal plan, as then in effect, including *initial* land redevelopment permitted by the plan.

NOTE: Despite the restrictions in (b) (1) and (2) of this section, any rehabilitation activity which benefits low and moderate income persons pursuant to paragraph (a)(3) of this section can be undertaken without regard to the area in which it is located or the extent or nature of rehabilitation assisted.

(c) *Activities designed to meet community development needs having a particular urgency.* In the absence of substantial evidence to the contrary, an activity will be considered to address this objective if the

recipient certifies that the activity is designed to alleviate existing conditions which pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community which are of recent origin or which recently became urgent, that the recipient is unable to finance the activity on its own, and that other sources of funding are not available. A condition will generally be considered to be of recent origin if it developed or became critical within 18 months preceding the certification by the recipient.

(d) *Additional criteria.* (1) Where the assisted activity is acquisition of real property, a preliminary determination of whether the activity addresses a national objective may be based on the planned use of the property after acquisition. A final determination shall be based on the actual use of the property, excluding any short-term, temporary use. Where the acquisition is for the purpose of clearance which will eliminate specific conditions of blight or physical decay, the clearance activity shall be considered the actual use of the property. However, any subsequent use or disposition of the cleared property shall be treated as a “change of use” under § 570.505.

(2) Where the assisted activity is relocation assistance that the recipient is required to provide, such relocation assistance shall be considered to address the same national objective as is addressed by the displacing activity. Where the relocation assistance is voluntary on the part of the grantee the recipient may qualify the assistance either on the basis of the national objective addressed by the displacing activity or on the basis that the recipients of the relocation assistance are low and moderate income persons.

(3) In any case where the activity undertaken for the purpose of creating or retaining jobs is a public improvement and the area served is primarily residential, the activity must meet the requirements of paragraph (a)(1) of this section as well as those of paragraph (a)(4) of this section in order to qualify as benefiting low and moderate income persons.

(4) CDBG funds expended for planning and administrative costs under § 570.205 and § 570.206 will be considered to address the national objectives.

(5) Where the grantee has elected to prepare an area revitalization strategy pursuant to the authority of § 91.215(e) of this title and HUD has approved the strategy, the grantee may also elect the following options:

(i) Activities undertaken pursuant to the strategy for the purpose of creating or retaining jobs may, at the option of the grantee, be considered to meet the requirements of this paragraph under the criteria at paragraph (a)(1)(vii) of this section in lieu of the criteria at paragraph (a)(4) of this section; and

(ii) All housing activities in the area for which, pursuant to the strategy, CDBG assistance is obligated during the program year may be considered to be a single structure for purposes of applying the criteria at paragraph (a)(3) of this section.

(6) Where CDBG-assisted activities are carried out by a Community Development Financial Institution whose charter limits its investment area to a primarily residential area consisting of at least 51 percent low- and moderate-income persons, the grantee may also elect the following options:

(i) Activities carried out by the Community Development Financial Institution for the purpose of creating or retaining jobs may, at the option of the grantee, be considered to meet the requirements of this paragraph under the criteria at paragraph (a)(1)(vii) of this section in lieu of the criteria at paragraph (a)(4) of this section; and

(ii) All housing activities for which the Community Development Financial Institution obligates CDBG assistance during the program year may be considered to be a single structure for purposes of applying the criteria at paragraph (a)(3) of this section.

(7) Where an activity meeting the criteria at § 570.209(b)(2)(v) may also meet the requirements of either paragraph (d)(5)(i) or (d)(6)(i) of this section, the grantee may elect to qualify the activity under either the area benefit criteria at paragraph (a)(1)(vii) of this section or the job aggregation criteria at paragraph

(a)(4)(vi)(D) of this section, but not both. Where an activity may meet the job aggregation criteria at both paragraphs (a)(4)(vi)(D) and (E) of this section, the grantee may elect to qualify the activity under either criterion, but not both.

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§ 570.209 Guidelines for evaluating and selecting economic development projects.

The following guidelines are provided to assist the recipient to evaluate and select activities to be carried out for economic development purposes. Specifically, these guidelines are applicable to activities that are eligible for CDBG assistance under § 570.203. These guidelines also apply to activities carried out under the authority of § 570.204 that would otherwise be eligible under § 570.203, were it not for the involvement of a Community-Based Development Organization (CBDO). (This would include activities where a CBDO makes loans to for-profit businesses.) These guidelines are composed of two components: guidelines for evaluating project costs and financial requirements; and standards for evaluating public benefit. The standards for evaluating public benefit are *mandatory*, but the guidelines for evaluating projects costs and financial requirements are not.

(a) *Guidelines and objectives for evaluating project costs and financial requirements.* HUD has developed guidelines that are designed to provide the recipient with a framework for financially underwriting and selecting CDBG-assisted economic development projects which are financially viable and will make the most effective use of the CDBG funds. These guidelines, also referred to as the underwriting guidelines, are published as appendix A to this part. The use of the underwriting guidelines published by HUD is not mandatory. However, grantees electing not to use these guidelines would be expected to conduct basic financial underwriting prior to the provision of CDBG financial assistance to a for-profit business. Where appropriate, HUD's underwriting guidelines recognize that different levels of review are appropriate to take into account differences in the size and scope of a proposed project, and in the case of a microenterprise or other small business to take into account the differences in the capacity and level of sophistication among businesses of differing sizes. Recipients are encouraged, when they develop their own programs and underwriting criteria, to also take these factors into account. The objectives of the underwriting guidelines are to ensure:

- (1) That project costs are reasonable;
- (2) That all sources of project financing are committed;
- (3) That to the extent practicable, CDBG funds are not substituted for non-Federal financial support;
- (4) That the project is financially feasible;
- (5) That to the extent practicable, the return on the owner's equity investment will not be unreasonably high; and
- (6) That to the extent practicable, CDBG funds are disbursed on a pro rata basis with other finances provided to the project.

(b) *Standards for evaluating public benefit.* The grantee is responsible for making sure that at least a minimum level of public benefit is obtained from the expenditure of CDBG funds under the categories of eligibility governed by these guidelines. The standards set forth below identify the types of public benefit that will be recognized for this purpose and the minimum level of each that must be obtained for the amount of CDBG funds used. Unlike the guidelines for project costs and financial requirements covered under paragraph (a) of this section, the use of the standards for public benefit is mandatory. Certain public

facilities and improvements eligible under § 570.201(c) of the regulations, which are undertaken for economic development purposes, are also subject to these standards, as specified in § 570.208(a)(4)(vi)(F)(2).

(1) *Standards for activities in the aggregate.* Activities covered by these guidelines must, in the aggregate, either:

(i) Create or retain at least one full-time equivalent, permanent job per \$35,000 of CDBG funds used; or

(ii) Provide goods or services to residents of an area, such that the number of low- and moderate-income persons residing in the areas served by the assisted businesses amounts to at least one low- and moderate-income person per \$350 of CDBG funds used.

(2) *Applying the aggregate standards.* (i) A metropolitan city, an urban county, a non-entitlement CDBG grantee in Hawaii, or an Insular Area shall apply the aggregate standards under paragraph (b)(1) of this section to all applicable activities for which CDBG funds are first obligated within each single CDBG program year, without regard to the source year of the funds used for the activities. For Insular Areas, the preceding sentence applies to grants received in program years after Fiscal Year 2004. A grantee under the HUD-administered Small Cities Program, or Insular Areas CDBG grants prior to Fiscal Year 2005, shall apply the aggregate standards under paragraph (b)(1) of this section to all funds obligated for applicable activities from a given grant; program income obligated for applicable activities will, for these purposes, be aggregated with the most recent open grant. For any time period in which a community has no open HUD-administered or Insular Areas grants, the aggregate standards shall be applied to all applicable activities for which program income is obligated during that period.

(ii) The grantee shall apply the aggregate standards to the number of jobs to be created/retained, or to the number of persons residing in the area served (as applicable), as determined at the time funds are obligated to activities.

(iii) Where an activity is expected both to create or retain jobs and to provide goods or services to residents of an area, the grantee may elect to count the activity under either the jobs standard or the area residents standard, but not both.

(iv) Where CDBG assistance for an activity is limited to job training and placement and/or other employment support services, the jobs assisted with CDBG funds shall be considered to be created or retained jobs for the purposes of applying the aggregate standards.

(v) Any activity subject to these guidelines which meets one or more of the following criteria may, at the grantee's option, be excluded from the aggregate standards described in paragraph (b)(1) of this section:

(A) Provides jobs exclusively for unemployed persons or participants in one or more of the following programs:

(1) Jobs Training Partnership Act (JTPA);

(2) Jobs Opportunities for Basic Skills (JOBS); or

(3) Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC);

(B) Provides jobs predominantly for residents of Public and Indian Housing units;

(C) Provides jobs predominantly for homeless persons;

(D) Provides jobs predominantly for low-skilled, low- and moderate-income persons, where the business agrees to provide clear opportunities for promotion and economic advancement, such as through the provision of training;

(E) Provides jobs predominantly for persons residing within a census tract (or block numbering area) that has at least 20 percent of its residents who are in poverty;

(F) Provides assistance to business(es) that operate(s) within a census tract (or block numbering area) that has at least 20 percent of its residents who are in poverty;

(G) Stabilizes or revitalizes a neighborhood that has at least 70 percent of its residents who are low- and moderate-income;

(H) Provides assistance to a Community Development Financial Institution that serve an area that is predominantly low- and moderate-income persons;

(I) Provides assistance to a Community-Based Development Organization serving a neighborhood that has at least 70 percent of its residents who are low- and moderate-income;

(J) Provides employment opportunities that are an integral component of a project designed to promote spatial deconcentration of low- and moderate-income and minority persons;

(K) With prior HUD approval, provides substantial benefit to low-income persons through other innovative approaches;

(L) Provides services to the residents of an area pursuant to a strategy approved by HUD under the provisions of § 91.215(e) of this title;

(M) Creates or retains jobs through businesses assisted in an area pursuant to a strategy approved by HUD under the provisions of § 91.215(e) of this title.

(N) Directly involves the economic development or redevelopment of environmentally contaminated properties.

(3) *Standards for individual activities.* Any activity subject to these guidelines which falls into one or more of the following categories will be considered by HUD to provide insufficient public benefit, and therefore may under no circumstances be assisted with CDBG funds:

(i) The amount of CDBG assistance exceeds either of the following, as applicable:

(A) \$50,000 per full-time equivalent, permanent job created or retained; or

(B) \$1,000 per low- and moderate-income person to which goods or services are provided by the activity.

(ii) The activity consists of or includes any of the following:

(A) General promotion of the community as a whole (as opposed to the promotion of specific areas and programs);

(B) Assistance to professional sports teams;

(C) Assistance to privately-owned recreational facilities that serve a predominantly higher-income clientele, where the recreational benefit to users or members clearly outweighs employment or other benefits to low- and moderate-income persons;

(D) Acquisition of land for which the specific proposed use has not yet been identified; and

(E) Assistance to a for-profit business while that business or any other business owned by the same person(s) or entity(ies) is the subject of unresolved findings of noncompliance relating to previous CDBG assistance provided by the recipient.

(4) *Applying the individual activity standards.* (i) Where an activity is expected both to create or retain jobs and to provide goods or services to residents of an area, it will be disqualified only if the amount of CDBG assistance exceeds both of the amounts in paragraph (b)(3)(i) of this section.

(ii) The individual activity standards in paragraph (b)(3)(i) of this section shall be applied to the number of jobs to be created or retained, or to the number of persons residing in the area served (as applicable), as determined at the time funds are obligated to activities.

(iii) Where CDBG assistance for an activity is limited to job training and placement and/or other employment support services, the jobs assisted with CDBG funds shall be considered to be created or retained jobs for the purposes of applying the individual activity standards in paragraph (b)(3)(i) of this section.

(c) *Amendments to economic development projects after review determinations.* If, after the grantee enters into a contract to provide assistance to a project, the scope or financial elements of the project change to the extent that a significant contract amendment is appropriate, the project should be reevaluated under these and the recipient's guidelines. (This would include, for example, situations where the business requests a change in the amount or terms of assistance being provided, or an extension to the loan payment period required in the contract.) If a reevaluation of the project indicates that the financial elements and public benefit to be derived have also substantially changed, then the recipient should make appropriate adjustments in the amount, type, terms or conditions of CDBG assistance which has been offered, to reflect the impact of the substantial change. (For example, if a change in the project elements results in a substantial reduction of the total project costs, it may be appropriate for the recipient to reduce the amount of total CDBG assistance.) If the amount of CDBG assistance provided to the project is increased, the amended project must still comply with the public benefit standards under paragraph (b) of this section.

(d) *Documentation.* The grantee must maintain sufficient records to demonstrate the level of public benefit, based on the above standards, that is actually achieved upon completion of the CDBG-assisted economic development activity(ies) and how that compares to the level of such benefit anticipated when the CDBG assistance was obligated. If the grantee's actual results show a pattern of substantial variation from anticipated results, the grantee is expected to take all actions reasonably within its control to improve the accuracy of its projections. If the actual results demonstrate that the recipient has failed the public benefit standards, HUD may require the recipient to meet more stringent standards in future years as appropriate.

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§ 570.210 Prohibition on use of assistance for employment relocation activities.

(a) *Prohibition.* CDBG funds may not be used to directly assist a business, including a business expansion, in the relocation of a plant, facility, or operation from one LMA to another LMA if the relocation is likely to result in a significant loss of jobs in the LMA from which the relocation occurs.

(b) *Definitions.* The following definitions apply to this section:

(1) *Directly assist.* Directly assist means the provision of CDBG funds for activities pursuant to:

(i) § 570.203(b); or

(ii) §§ 570.201(a)-(d), 570.201(l), 570.203(a), or § 570.204 when the grantee, subrecipient, or, in the case of an activity carried out pursuant to § 570.204, a Community Based Development Organization (CDBO) enters into an agreement with a business to undertake one or more of these activities as a condition of the business relocating a facility, plant, or operation to the grantee's LMA. Provision of public facilities and indirect assistance that will provide benefit to multiple businesses does not fall under the definition of "directly assist," unless it includes the provision of infrastructure to aid a specific business that is the subject of an agreement with the specific assisted business.

(2) *Labor market area (LMA)*. For metropolitan areas, an LMA is an area defined as such by the BLS. An LMA is an economically integrated geographic area within which individuals can live and find employment within a reasonable distance or can readily change employment without changing their place of residence. In addition, LMAs are nonoverlapping and geographically exhaustive. For metropolitan areas, grantees must use employment data, as defined by the BLS, for the LMA in which the affected business is currently located and from which current jobs may be lost. For non-metropolitan areas, an LMA is either an area defined by the BLS as an LMA, or a state may choose to combine non-metropolitan LMAs. States are required to define or reaffirm prior definitions of their LMAs on an annual basis and retain records to substantiate such areas prior to any business relocation that would be impacted by this rule. Metropolitan LMAs cannot be combined, nor can a non-metropolitan LMA be combined with a metropolitan LMA. For the HUD-administered Small Cities Program, each of the three participating counties in Hawaii will be considered to be its own LMA. Recipients of Fiscal Year 1999 Small Cities Program funding in New York will follow the requirements for State CDBG recipients.

(3) *Operation*. A business operation includes, but is not limited to, any equipment, employment opportunity, production capacity or product line of the business.

(4) *Significant loss of jobs*. (i) A loss of jobs is significant if: The number of jobs to be lost in the LMA in which the affected business is currently located is equal to or greater than one-tenth of one percent of the total number of persons in the labor force of that LMA; or in all cases, a loss of 500 or more jobs. Notwithstanding the aforementioned, a loss of 25 jobs or fewer does not constitute a significant loss of jobs.

(ii) A job is considered to be lost due to the provision of CDBG assistance if the job is relocated within three years of the provision of assistance to the business; or the time period within which jobs are to be created as specified by the agreement between the business and the recipient if it is longer than three years.

(c) *Written agreement*. Before directly assisting a business with CDBG funds, the recipient, subrecipient, or a CDBO (in the case of an activity carried out pursuant to § 570.204) shall sign a written agreement with the assisted business. The written agreement shall include:

(1) *Statement*. A statement from the assisted business as to whether the assisted activity will result in the relocation of any industrial or commercial plant, facility, or operation from one LMA to another, and, if so, the number of jobs that will be relocated from each LMA;

(2) *Required information*. If the assistance will not result in a relocation covered by this section, a certification from the assisted business that neither it, nor any of its subsidiaries, has plans to relocate jobs at the time the agreement is signed that would result in a significant job loss as defined in this rule; and

(3) *Reimbursement of assistance*. The agreement shall provide for reimbursement of any assistance provided to, or expended on behalf of, the business in the event that assistance results in a relocation prohibited under this section.

(d) *Assistance not covered by this section*. This section does not apply to:

(1) *Relocation assistance*. Relocation assistance required by the Uniform Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, (URA) (42 U.S.C. 4601-4655);

(2) *Microenterprises*. Assistance to microenterprises as defined by Section 102(a)(22) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974; and

(3) *Arms-length transactions*. Assistance to a business that purchases business equipment, inventory, or other physical assets in an arms-length transaction, including the assets of an existing business, provided that the purchase does not result in the relocation of the sellers' business operation (including customer base or list, goodwill, product lines, or trade names) from one LMA to another LMA and does not produce a significant loss of jobs in the LMA from which the relocation occurs.

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Subpart K—Other Program Requirements

SOURCE: 53 FR 34456, Sept. 6, 1988, unless otherwise noted.

§ 570.600 General.

(a) This subpart K enumerates laws that the Secretary will treat as applicable to grants made under section 106 of the Act, other than grants to states made pursuant to section 106(d) of the Act, for purposes of the Secretary's determinations under section 104(e)(1) of the Act, including statutes expressly made applicable by the Act and certain other statutes and Executive Orders for which the Secretary has enforcement responsibility. This subpart K applies to grants made under the Insular Areas Program in § 570.405 and § 570.440 with the exception of § 570.612. The absence of mention herein of any other statute for which the Secretary does not have direct enforcement responsibility is not intended to be taken as an indication that, in the Secretary's opinion, such statute or Executive Order is not applicable to activities assisted under the Act. For laws that the Secretary will treat as applicable to grants made to states under section 106(d) of the Act for purposes of the determination required to be made by the Secretary pursuant to section 104(e)(2) of the Act, see § 570.487.

(b) This subpart also sets forth certain additional program requirements which the Secretary has determined to be applicable to grants provided under the Act as a matter of administrative discretion.

(c) In addition to grants made pursuant to section 106(b) and 106(d)(2)(B) of the Act (subparts D and F, respectively), the requirements of this subpart K are applicable to grants made pursuant to sections 107 and 119 of the Act (subparts E and G, respectively), and to loans guaranteed pursuant to subpart M.

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§ 570.601 Public Law 88-352 and Public Law 90-284; affirmatively furthering fair housing; Executive Order 11063.

(a) The following requirements apply according to sections 104(b) and 107 of the Act:

(1) Public Law 88-352, which is title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d *et seq.*), and implementing regulations in 24 CFR part 1.

(2) Public Law 90-284, which is the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3620). In accordance with the Fair Housing Act, the Secretary requires that grantees administer all programs and activities related to housing and community development in a manner to affirmatively further the policies of the Fair Housing Act. Furthermore, in accordance with section 104(b)(2) of the Act, for each community receiving a grant under subpart D of this part, the certification that the grantee will affirmatively further fair housing shall specifically require the grantee to assume the responsibility of fair housing planning by conducting an analysis to identify impediments to fair housing choice within its jurisdiction, taking appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through that analysis, and maintaining records reflecting the analysis and actions in this regard.

(b) Executive Order 11063, as amended by Executive Order 12259 (3 CFR, 1959-1963 Comp., p. 652; 3 CFR, 1980 Comp., p. 307) (Equal Opportunity in Housing), and implementing regulations in 24 CFR part 107, also apply.

[61 FR 11477, Mar. 20, 1996]

§ 570.602 Section 109 of the Act.

Section 109 of the Act requires that no person in the United States shall on the grounds of race, color, national origin, religion, or sex be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance made available pursuant to the Act. Section 109 also directs that the prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of age under the Age Discrimination Act and the prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of disability under Section 504 shall apply to programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance under Title I programs. The policies and procedures necessary to ensure enforcement of section 109 are codified in 24 CFR part 6.

[64 FR 3802, Jan. 25, 1999]

§ 570.603 Labor standards.

(a) Section 110(a) of the Act contains labor standards that apply to nonvolunteer labor financed in whole or in part with assistance received under the Act. In accordance with section 110(a) of the Act, the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 327 *et seq.*) also applies. However, these requirements apply to the rehabilitation of residential property only if such property contains not less than 8 units.

(b) The regulations in 24 CFR part 70 apply to the use of volunteers.

[61 FR 11477, Mar. 20, 1996]

§ 570.604 Environmental standards.

For purposes of section 104(g) of the Act, the regulations in 24 CFR part 58 specify the other provisions of law which further the purposes of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, and the procedures by which grantees must fulfill their environmental responsibilities. In certain cases, grantees assume these environmental review, decision making, and action responsibilities by execution of grant agreements with the Secretary.

[61 FR 11477, Mar. 20, 1996]

§ 570.605 National Flood Insurance Program.

Notwithstanding the date of HUD approval of the recipient's application (or, in the case of grants made under subpart D of this part or HUD-administered small cities recipients in Hawaii, the date of submission of the grantee's consolidated plan, in accordance with 24 CFR part 91), section 202(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4106) and the regulations in 44 CFR parts 59 through 79 apply to funds provided under this part 570.

[61 FR 11477, Mar. 20, 1996]

§ 570.606 Displacement, relocation, acquisition, and replacement of housing.

(a) *General policy for minimizing displacement.* Consistent with the other goals and objectives of this part, grantees (or States or state recipients, as applicable) shall assure that they have taken all reasonable steps to minimize the displacement of persons (families, individuals, businesses, nonprofit organizations, and farms) as a result of activities assisted under this part.

(b) *Relocation assistance for displaced persons at URA levels.* (1) A displaced person shall be provided with relocation assistance at the levels described in, and in accordance with the requirements of 49 CFR part 24, which contains the government-wide regulations implementing the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (URA) (42 U.S.C. 4601-4655).

(2) *Displaced person.* (i) For purposes of paragraph (b) of this section, the term “*displaced person*” means any person (family, individual, business, nonprofit organization, or farm) that moves from real property, or moves his or her personal property from real property, permanently and involuntarily, as a direct result of rehabilitation, demolition, or acquisition for an activity assisted under this part. A permanent, involuntary move for an assisted activity includes a permanent move from real property that is made:

(A) After notice by the grantee (or the state recipient, if applicable) to move permanently from the property, if the move occurs after the initial official submission to HUD (or the State, as applicable) for grant, loan, or loan guarantee funds under this part that are later provided or granted.

(B) After notice by the property owner to move permanently from the property, if the move occurs after the date of the submission of a request for financial assistance by the property owner (or person in control of the site) that is later approved for the requested activity.

(C) Before the date described in paragraph (b)(2)(i)(A) or (B) of this section, if either HUD or the grantee (or State, as applicable) determines that the displacement directly resulted from acquisition, rehabilitation, or demolition for the requested activity.

(D) After the “initiation of negotiations” if the person is the tenant-occupant of a dwelling unit and any one of the following three situations occurs:

(1) The tenant has not been provided with a reasonable opportunity to lease and occupy a suitable decent, safe, and sanitary dwelling in the same building/complex upon the completion of the project, including a monthly rent that does not exceed the greater of the tenant's monthly rent and estimated average utility costs before the initiation of negotiations or 30 percent of the household's average monthly gross income; or

(2) The tenant is required to relocate temporarily for the activity but the tenant is not offered payment for all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the temporary relocation, including the cost of moving to and from the temporary location and any increased housing costs, or other conditions of the temporary relocation are not reasonable; and the tenant does not return to the building/complex; or

(3) The tenant is required to move to another unit in the building/complex, but is not offered reimbursement for all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the move.

(ii) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (b)(2)(i) of this section, the term “*displaced person* -” does not include:

(A) A person who is evicted for cause based upon serious or repeated violations of material terms of the lease or occupancy agreement. To exclude a person on this basis, the grantee (or State or state recipient, as applicable) must determine that the eviction was not undertaken for the purpose of evading the obligation to provide relocation assistance under this section;

(B) A person who moves into the property after the date of the notice described in paragraph (b)(2)(i)(A) or (B) of this section, but who received a written notice of the expected displacement before occupancy.

(C) A person who is not displaced as described in 49 CFR 24.2(g)(2).

(D) A person who the grantee (or State, as applicable) determines is not displaced as a direct result of the acquisition, rehabilitation, or demolition for an assisted activity. To exclude a person on this basis, HUD must concur in that determination.

(iii) A grantee (or State or state recipient, as applicable) may, at any time, request HUD to determine whether a person is a displaced person under this section.

(3) *Initiation of negotiations.* For purposes of determining the type of replacement housing assistance to be provided under paragraph (b) of this section, if the displacement is the direct result of privately undertaken rehabilitation, demolition, or acquisition of real property, the term “*initiation of negotiations*” means the execution of the grant or loan agreement between the grantee (or State or state recipient, as applicable) and the person owning or controlling the real property.

(c) *Residential antidisplacement and relocation assistance plan.* The grantee shall comply with the requirements of 24 CFR part 42, subpart B.

(d) *Optional relocation assistance.* Under section 105(a)(11) of the Act, the grantee may provide (or the State may permit the state recipient to provide, as applicable) relocation payments and other relocation assistance to persons displaced by activities that are not subject to paragraph (b) or (c) of this section. The grantee may also provide (or the State may also permit the state recipient to provide, as applicable) relocation assistance to persons receiving assistance under paragraphs (b) or (c) of this section at levels in excess of those required by these paragraphs. Unless such assistance is provided under State or local law, the grantee (or state recipient, as applicable) shall provide such assistance only upon the basis of a written determination that the assistance is appropriate (see, e.g., 24 CFR 570.201(i), as applicable). The grantee (or state recipient, as applicable) must adopt a written policy available to the public that describes the relocation assistance that the grantee (or state recipient, as applicable) has elected to provide and that provides for equal relocation assistance within each class of displaced persons.

(e) *Acquisition of real property.* The acquisition of real property for an assisted activity is subject to 49 CFR part 24, subpart B.

(f) *Appeals.* If a person disagrees with the determination of the grantee (or the state recipient, as applicable) concerning the person's eligibility for, or the amount of, a relocation payment under this section, the person may file a written appeal of that determination with the grantee (or state recipient, as applicable). The appeal procedures to be followed are described in 49 CFR 24.10. In addition, a low- or moderate-income household that has been displaced from a dwelling may file a written request for review of the grantee's decision to the HUD Field Office. For purposes of the State CDBG program, a low- or moderate-income household may file a written request for review of the state recipient's decision with the State.

(g) *Responsibility of grantee or State.* (1) The grantee (or State, if applicable) is responsible for ensuring compliance with the requirements of this section, notwithstanding any third party's contractual obligation to the grantee to comply with the provisions of this section. For purposes of the State CDBG program, the State shall require state recipients to certify that they will comply with the requirements of this section.

(2) The cost of assistance required under this section may be paid from local public funds, funds provided under this part, or funds available from other sources.

(3) The grantee (or State and state recipient, as applicable) must maintain records in sufficient detail to demonstrate compliance with the provisions of this section.

(Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under OMB control number 2506-0102)

[61 FR 11477, Mar. 20, 1996, as amended at 61 FR 51760, Oct. 3, 1996]

§ 570.607 Employment and contracting opportunities.

To the extent that they are otherwise applicable, grantees shall comply with:

(a) Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Orders 11375, 11478, 12086, and 12107 (3 CFR 1964-1965 Comp. p. 339; 3 CFR, 1966-1970 Comp., p. 684; 3 CFR, 1966-1970., p. 803; 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 230; 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 264 (Equal Employment Opportunity), and Executive Order 13279 (Equal Protection of the Laws for Faith-Based and Community Organizations), 67 FR 77141, 3 CFR, 2002 Comp., p. 258; and the implementing regulations at 41 CFR chapter 60; and

(b) Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 135.

[68 FR 56405, Sept. 30, 2003]

§ 570.608 Lead-based paint.

The Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. 4821-4846), the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 4851-4856), and implementing regulations at part 35, subparts A, B, J, K, and R of this part apply to activities under this program.

[64 FR 50226, Sept. 15, 1999]

§ 570.609 Use of debarred, suspended or ineligible contractors or subrecipients.

The requirements set forth in 24 CFR part 5 apply to this program.

[61 FR 5209, Feb. 9, 1996]

§ 570.610 Uniform administrative requirements and cost principles.

The recipient, its agencies or instrumentalities, and subrecipients shall comply with the policies, guidelines, and requirements of 24 CFR part 85 and OMB Circulars A-87, A-110 (implemented at 24 CFR part 84), A-122, A-133 (implemented at 24 CFR part 45), and A-128² (implemented at 24 CFR part 44), as applicable, as they relate to the acceptance and use of Federal funds under this part. The applicable sections of 24 CFR parts 84 and 85 are set forth at § 570.502.

² See footnote 1 at § 570.200(a)(5).

[60 FR 56916, Nov. 9, 1995]

§ 570.611 Conflict of interest.

(a) *Applicability.* (1) In the procurement of supplies, equipment, construction, and services by recipients and by subrecipients, the conflict of interest provisions in 24 CFR 85.36 and 24 CFR 84.42, respectively, shall apply.

(2) In all cases not governed by 24 CFR 85.36 and 84.42, the provisions of this section shall apply. Such cases include the acquisition and disposition of real property and the provision of assistance by the recipient or by its subrecipients to individuals, businesses, and other private entities under eligible activities that authorize such assistance (e.g., rehabilitation, preservation, and other improvements of private properties or facilities pursuant to § 570.202; or grants, loans, and other assistance to businesses, individuals, and other private entities pursuant to § 570.203, 570.204, 570.455, or 570.703(i)).

(b) *Conflicts prohibited.* The general rule is that no persons described in paragraph (c) of this section who exercise or have exercised any functions or responsibilities with respect to CDBG activities assisted under this part, or who are in a position to participate in a decisionmaking process or gain inside information with regard to such activities, may obtain a financial interest or benefit from a CDBG-assisted activity, or have a financial interest in any contract, subcontract, or agreement with respect to a CDBG-assisted activity, or with respect to the proceeds of the CDBG-assisted activity, either for themselves or those with whom they have business or immediate family ties, during their tenure or for one year thereafter. For the UDAG program, the above restrictions shall apply to all activities that are a part of the UDAG project, and shall cover any such financial interest or benefit during, or at any time after, such person's tenure.

(c) *Persons covered.* The conflict of interest provisions of paragraph (b) of this section apply to any person who is an employee, agent, consultant, officer, or elected official or appointed official of the recipient, or of any designated public agencies, or of subrecipients that are receiving funds under this part.

(d) *Exceptions.* Upon the written request of the recipient, HUD may grant an exception to the provisions of paragraph (b) of this section on a case-by-case basis when it has satisfactorily met the threshold requirements of (d)(1) of this section, taking into account the cumulative effects of paragraph (d)(2) of this section.

(1) *Threshold requirements.* HUD will consider an exception only after the recipient has provided the following documentation:

(i) A disclosure of the nature of the conflict, accompanied by an assurance that there has been public disclosure of the conflict and a description of how the public disclosure was made; and

(ii) An opinion of the recipient's attorney that the interest for which the exception is sought would not violate State or local law.

(2) *Factors to be considered for exceptions.* In determining whether to grant a requested exception after the recipient has satisfactorily met the requirements of paragraph (d)(1) of this section, HUD shall conclude that such an exception will serve to further the purposes of the Act and the effective and efficient administration of the recipient's program or project, taking into account the cumulative effect of the following factors, as applicable:

(i) Whether the exception would provide a significant cost benefit or an essential degree of expertise to the program or project that would otherwise not be available;

(ii) Whether an opportunity was provided for open competitive bidding or negotiation;

(iii) Whether the person affected is a member of a group or class of low- or moderate-income persons intended to be the beneficiaries of the assisted activity, and the exception will permit such person to receive generally the same interests or benefits as are being made available or provided to the group or class;

(iv) Whether the affected person has withdrawn from his or her functions or responsibilities, or the decision making process with respect to the specific assisted activity in question;

(v) Whether the interest or benefit was present before the affected person was in a position as described in paragraph (b) of this section;

(vi) Whether undue hardship will result either to the recipient or the person affected when weighed against the public interest served by avoiding the prohibited conflict; and

(vii) Any other relevant considerations.

[60 FR 56916, Nov. 9, 1995]

§ 570.612 Executive Order 12372.

(a) *General.* Executive Order 12372, Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs, and the Department's implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 52, allow each State to establish its own process for review and comment on proposed Federal financial assistance programs.

(b) *Applicability.* Executive Order 12372 applies to the CDBG Entitlement program and the UDAG program. The Executive Order applies to all activities proposed to be assisted under UDAG, but it applies to the Entitlement program only where a grantee proposes to use funds for the planning or construction (reconstruction or installation) of water or sewer facilities. Such facilities include storm sewers as well as all sanitary sewers, but do not include water and sewer lines connecting a structure to the lines in the public right-of-way or easement. It is the responsibility of the grantee to initiate the Executive Order review process if it proposes to use its CDBG or UDAG funds for activities subject to review.

§ 570.613 Eligibility restrictions for certain resident aliens.

(a) *Restriction.* Certain newly legalized aliens, as described in 24 CFR part 49, are not eligible to apply for benefits under covered activities funded by the programs listed in paragraph (e) of this section. "Benefits" under this section means financial assistance, public services, jobs and access to new or rehabilitated housing and other facilities made available under covered activities funded by programs listed in paragraph (e) of this section. "Benefits" do not include relocation services and payments to which displacees are entitled by law.

(b) *Covered activities.* "Covered activities" under this section means activities meeting the requirements of § 570.208(a) that either:

(1) Have income eligibility requirements limiting the benefits exclusively to low and moderate income persons; or

(2) Are targeted geographically or otherwise to primarily benefit low and moderate income persons (excluding activities serving the public at large, such as sewers, roads, sidewalks, and parks), and that provide benefits to persons on the basis of an application.

(c) *Limitation on coverage.* The restrictions under this section apply only to applicants for new benefits not being received by covered resident aliens as of the effective date of this section.

(d) *Compliance.* Compliance can be accomplished by obtaining certification as provided in 24 CFR 49.20.

(e) *Programs affected.* (1) The Community Development Block Grant program for small cities, administered under subpart F of part 570 of this title until closeout of the recipient's grant.

(2) The Community Development Block Grant program for entitlement grants, administered under subpart D of part 570 of this title.

(3) The Community Development Block Grant program for States, administered under subpart I of part 570 of this title until closeout of the unit of general local government's grant by the State.

(4) The Urban Development Action Grants program, administered under subpart G of part 570 of this title until closeout of the recipient's grant.

[55 FR 18494, May 2, 1990]

§ 570.614 Architectural Barriers Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

(a) The Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 4151-4157) requires certain Federal and Federally funded buildings and other facilities to be designed, constructed, or altered in accordance with standards that insure accessibility to, and use by, physically handicapped people. A building or facility designed, constructed, or altered with funds allocated or reallocated under this part after December 11, 1995, and that meets the definition of “residential structure” as defined in 24 CFR 40.2 or the definition of “building” as defined in 41 CFR 101-19.602(a) is subject to the requirements of the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 4151-4157) and shall comply with the Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards (appendix A to 24 CFR part 40 for residential structures, and appendix A to 41 CFR part 101-19, subpart 101-19.6, for general type buildings).

(b) The Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. 12131; 47 U.S.C. 155, 201, 218 and 225) (ADA) provides comprehensive civil rights to individuals with disabilities in the areas of employment, public accommodations, State and local government services, and telecommunications. It further provides that discrimination includes a failure to design and construct facilities for first occupancy no later than January 26, 1993, that are readily accessible to and usable by individuals with disabilities. Further, the ADA requires the removal of architectural barriers and communication barriers that are structural in nature in existing facilities, where such removal is readily achievable—that is, easily accomplishable and able to be carried out without much difficulty or expense.

[60 FR 56917, Nov. 9, 1995]

UPDATE: Effective March 2015

2 CFR Part 200 - Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, Final Guidance supersedes, consolidates and streamlines requirements from 8 OMB Circulars referenced in Exhibit D - CDBG Regulations and Other Program Requirements:

A - 21	A - 110
A - 87	A - 122
A - 89	A - 133
A - 102	A - 50

To view Notice SD-2015-01 Issued by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, please visit the following link:

www.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/Notice-DC-2015-01-Transition-to-2-CFR-Part-200-Guidance.pdf

Exhibit E

Audit Findings or Exceptions

(N/A - No audit findings or exceptions)

AGENDA ITEM AND RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY
CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 8, 2017

Consider the Approval of a Budget Amendment in the Amount of \$45,000.00 out of Federal Forfeiture Fund Balance of Police Department Federal Budget. (Juan Gonzalez, Chief of Police)

STAFF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

In September 2016, the City Commission approved the State Forfeiture Budget for the San Juan Police Department Forfeiture funds for year beginning October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017. During this process, all funds were allocated for the New Public Safety Building. Additional forfeiture funds have been awarded to the Police department, thus allowing the Police department an opportunity to budget for Furniture and office equipment without affecting existing funds already allocated for the New Public Safety Building.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff Recommends Approval of a Budget Amendment in the Amount of \$45,000.00 out of Federal Forfeiture Fund Balance to Police Department Federal Forfeiture Budget.

PREPARED BY:

Juan Gonzalez, Chief
of Police

APPROVED BY:

Benjamin Arjona, City
Manager

AGENDA ITEM AND RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY
CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 8, 2017

Discussion and Consider Proposed Tax Rate for the City of San Juan for Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018 and Setting Public Hearing. (Leroy Gonzalez, Interim Finance Director)

STAFF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

In Accordance with Property Tax Law, if the Proposed Tax Rate (\$.6993/\$100) will exceed the Effective Tax Rate (\$0.6684/\$100) or Rollback Tax Rate (\$.7290/\$100) a Record Vote must be Taken and also schedule two (2) Public Hearings. The two (2) Public Hearings will be scheduled on Tuesday, August 22, 2017 at 6:00 P.M. for the First Hearing and the Second Hearing on Tuesday, September 05, 2017 at 6:00 P.M. The Public Hearing will take place at the City of San Juan Memorial Library Multipurpose Room located at 1010 S. Standard.

RECOMMENDATION:

Consider Proposed Tax Rate for the City of San Juan for Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018 and Setting Public Hearings.

PREPARED BY:

Benjamin Arjona,
City Manager

APPROVED BY:

Benjamin Arjona, City
Manager

**Benchmark 2016 and 2017 Tax Rate Comparison
City of San Juan, Texas**

2016 Total Taxable Value	\$ 850,365,395
2017 Total Taxable Value	\$ 918,801,680
2016-2017 Taxable Value Increase	\$ 68,436,285

	2016			2017			
	Tax Rate Per \$100	Tax Levy	Tax Rate Per \$100	Tax Levy	Additional Tax Levy	2016-2017 Comparison	
Effective Tax Rate	\$ 0.6845	\$ 5,525,266	0.6684	\$ 6,141,270		\$ 616,004	
One Cent per \$100 Tax Increase	\$ 0.6945		0.6784	\$ 6,233,151	\$ 91,881		
Two Cent per \$100 Tax Increase	\$ 0.7045		0.6884	\$ 6,281,964	\$ 183,762		
Notice of Hearing Limit	\$ 0.6845	\$ 5,525,266	0.6684	\$ 6,141,270	\$ -		
Rollback Tax Rate	\$ 0.8484	\$ 6,020,590	0.7290	\$ 6,698,064	\$ 556,794		
Last Year's Current Tax Rate	\$ 0.6993	\$ 5,706,422	0.6993	\$ 6,425,180	\$ 283,910		\$ 718,758
Proposed Tax Rate	\$ 0.6993	\$ 5,706,422	0.6993	\$ 6,425,180	\$ 283,910		

2017 Governing Body Summary #1A*

Benchmark 2017 Tax Rates

City of San Juan

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DESCRIPTION OF TAX RATE	TAX RATE PER \$100	THIS YEAR'S TAX LEVY**	ADDITIONAL TAX LEVY
Effective Tax Rate	\$0.6684	\$6,141,270	
One Percent \$100 Tax Increase***	\$0.6751	\$6,202,830	\$61,560
One Cent per \$100 Tax Increase***	\$0.678400	\$6,233,151	\$91,881
Notice & Hearing Limit****	\$0.6684	\$6,141,270	\$0
Rollback Tax Rate	\$0.7290	\$6,698,064	\$556,794
Last Year's Tax Rate	\$0.699300	\$6,425,180	\$283,910
Proposed Tax Rate	\$0.6993	\$6,425,180	\$283,910

*These figures are provided as estimates of possible outcomes resulting from varying the tax rate. Please be aware that these are only estimates and should not be used alone in making budgetary decisions.

**Tax levies are calculated using line 19 of the Effective Tax Rate Worksheet and this year's frozen tax levy on homesteads of the elderly or disabled.

***Tax increase compared to effective tax rate.

****The Notice and Hearing Limit is the highest tax rate that may be adopted without notices and a public hearing. It is the lower of the rollback tax rate or the effective tax rate.

2017 Tax Rate Calculation Worksheet

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Taxing Units Other Than School Districts or Water Districts

City of San Juan

Taxing Unit Name

Phone (area code and number)

Taxing Unit's Address, City, State, Zip

Taxing Unit's Website Address

GENERAL INFORMATION: Tax Code Section 26.04(c) requires an officer or employee designated by the governing body to calculate the effective tax rate and rollback tax rate for the taxing unit. These tax rates are expressed in dollars per \$100 of taxable value calculated. The calculation process starts after the chief appraiser delivers to the taxing unit the certified appraisal roll and the estimated values of properties under protest. School districts do not use this form, but instead use Comptroller Form 50-859 Tax Rate Calculation Worksheet for School Districts. Water districts as defined under Water Code Section 49.001(1) do not use this form, but instead use Comptroller Form 50-858 Water District Rollback Tax Rate Worksheet. This worksheet is provided to assist taxing units in determining tax rates. The information provided in this worksheet is offered as technical assistance and not legal advice. Taxing units should consult legal counsel for interpretations of law regarding tax rate preparation and adoption.

SECTION 1: Effective Tax Rate (No New Taxes)

The effective tax rate enables the public to evaluate the relationship between taxes for the prior year and for the current year based on a tax rate that would produce the same amount of taxes (no new taxes) if applied to the same properties that are taxed in both years. When appraisal values increase, the effective tax rate should decrease.

The effective tax rate for a county is the sum of the effective tax rates calculated for each type of tax the county levies.

Effective Tax Rate Activity	Amount/Rate
1. 2016 total taxable value. Enter the amount of 2016 taxable value on the 2016 tax roll today. Include any adjustments since last year's certification; exclude Tax Code Section 25.25(d) one-third over-appraisal corrections from these adjustments. This total includes the taxable value of homesteads with tax ceilings (will deduct in Line 2) and the captured value for tax increment financing (will deduct taxes in Line 14). ¹	\$953,076,018
2. 2016 tax ceilings. Counties, cities and junior college districts. Enter 2016 total taxable value of homesteads with tax ceilings. These include the homesteads of homeowners age 65 or older or disabled. Other taxing units enter 0. If your taxing unit adopted the tax ceiling provision in 2016 or a prior year for homeowners age 65 or older or disabled, use this step. ²	\$103,723,353
3. Preliminary 2016 adjusted taxable value. Subtract Line 2 from Line 1.	\$849,352,665
4. 2016 total adopted tax rate.	\$0.6993/\$100
5. 2016 taxable value lost because court appeals of ARB decisions reduced 2016 appraised value. A. Original 2016 ARB Values.	\$512,048
B. 2016 values resulting from final court decisions.	\$460,843
C. 2016 value loss. Subtract B from A. ³	\$51,205
6. 2016 taxable value, adjusted for court-ordered reductions. Add Line 3 and Line 5C.	\$849,403,870
7. 2016 taxable value of property in territory the taxing unit deannexed after Jan. 1, 2016. Enter the 2016 value of property in deannexed territory. ⁴	\$0
8. 2016 taxable value lost because property first qualified for an exemption in 2017. Note that lowering the amount or percentage of an existing exemption does not create a new exemption or reduce taxable value. If the taxing unit increased an original exemption, use the difference between the original exempted amount and the increased exempted amount. Do not include value lost to freeport or goods-in-transit exemptions.	

A. Absolute exemptions. Use 2016 market value:	\$590,400
B. Partial exemptions. 2017 exemption amount or 2017 percentage exemption times 2016 value:	\$925,349
C. Value loss. Add A and B. ⁵	\$1,515,749
9. 2016 taxable value lost because property first qualified for agricultural appraisal (1-d or 1-d-1), timber appraisal, recreational/scenic appraisal or public access airport special appraisal in 2017. Use only properties that qualified in 2017 for the first time; do not use properties that qualified in 2016.	
A. 2016 market value:	\$0
B. 2017 productivity or special appraised value:	\$0
C. Value loss. Subtract B from A. ⁶	\$0
10. Total adjustments for lost value. Add lines 7, 8C and 9C.	\$1,515,749
11. 2016 adjusted taxable value. Subtract Line 10 from Line 6.	\$847,888,121
12. Adjusted 2016 taxes. Multiply Line 4 by Line 11 and divide by \$100.	\$5,929,281
13. Taxes refunded for years preceding tax year 2016. Enter the amount of taxes refunded by the taxing unit for tax years preceding tax year 2016. Types of refunds include court decisions, Tax Code Section 25.25(b) and (c) corrections and Tax Code Section 31.11 payment errors. Do not include refunds for tax year 2016. This line applies only to tax years preceding tax year 2016. ⁷	\$6,005
14. Taxes in tax increment financing (TIF) for tax year 2016. Enter the amount of taxes paid into the tax increment fund for a reinvestment zone as agreed by the taxing unit. If the taxing unit has no 2017 captured appraised value in Line 16D, enter 0. ⁸	\$0
15. Adjusted 2016 taxes with refunds and TIF adjustment. Add Lines 12 and 13, subtract Line 14. ⁹	\$5,935,286
16. Total 2017 taxable value on the 2017 certified appraisal roll today. This value includes only certified values and includes the total taxable value of homesteads with tax ceilings (will deduct in Line 18). These homesteads include homeowners age 65 or older or disabled. ¹⁰	
A. Certified values:	\$1,026,747,877
B. Counties: Include railroad rolling stock values certified by the Comptroller's office:	\$0
C. Pollution control and energy storage system exemption : Deduct the value of property exempted for the current tax year for the first time as pollution control or energy storage system property:	\$0
D. Tax increment financing: Deduct the 2017 captured appraised value of property taxable by a taxing unit in a tax increment financing zone for which the 2017 taxes will be deposited into the tax increment fund. Do not include any new property value that will be included in Line 21 below. ¹¹	\$0
	\$1,026,747,877

E. Total 2017 value. Add A and B, then subtract C and D.	
17. Total value of properties under protest or not included on certified appraisal roll.¹²	
A. 2017 taxable value of properties under protest. The chief appraiser certifies a list of properties still under ARB protest. The list shows the appraisal district's value and the taxpayer's claimed value, if any, or an estimate of the value if the taxpayer wins. For each of the properties under protest, use the lowest of these values. Enter the total value. ¹³	\$6,255,935
B. 2017 value of properties not under protest or included on certified appraisal roll. The chief appraiser gives taxing units a list of those taxable properties that the chief appraiser knows about, but are not included in the appraisal roll certification. These properties also are not on the list of properties that are still under protest. On this list of properties, the chief appraiser includes the market value, appraised value and exemptions for the preceding year and a reasonable estimate of the market value, appraised value and exemptions for the current year. Use the lower market, appraised or taxable value (as appropriate). Enter the total value. ¹⁴	\$0
C. Total value under protest or not certified: Add A and B.	\$6,255,935
18. 2017 tax ceilings. Counties, cities and junior colleges enter 2017 total taxable value of homesteads with tax ceilings. These include the homesteads of homeowners age 65 or older or disabled. Other taxing units enter 0. If your taxing units adopted the tax ceiling provision in 2016 or a prior year for homeowners age 65 or older or disabled, use this step. ¹⁵	\$114,202,132
19. 2017 total taxable value. Add Lines 16E and 17C. Subtract Line 18.	\$918,801,680
20. Total 2017 taxable value of properties in territory annexed after Jan. 1, 2016. Include both real and personal property. Enter the 2017 value of property in territory annexed. ¹⁶	\$0
21. Total 2017 taxable value of new improvements and new personal property located in new improvements. New means the item was not on the appraisal roll in 2016. An improvement is a building, structure, fixture or fence erected on or affixed to land. New additions to existing improvements may be included if the appraised value can be determined. New personal property in a new improvement must have been brought into the taxing unit after Jan. 1, 2016, and be located in a new improvement. New improvements do include property on which a tax abatement agreement has expired for 2017. ¹⁷	\$30,866,246
22. Total adjustments to the 2017 taxable value. Add Lines 20 and 21.	\$30,866,246
23. 2017 adjusted taxable value. Subtract Line 22 from Line 19.	\$887,935,434
24. 2017 effective tax rate. Divide Line 15 by Line 23 and multiply by \$100. ¹⁸	\$0.6684/\$100
25. COUNTIES ONLY. Add together the effective tax rates for each type of tax the county levies. The total is the 2017 county effective tax rate. ¹⁹	

¹Tex. Tax Code Section 26.012(14)

²Tex. Tax Code Section 26.012(14)

³Tex. Tax Code Section 26.012(13)

⁴Tex. Tax Code Section 26.012(15)

⁵Tex. Tax Code Section 26.012(15)

⁶Tex. Tax Code Section 26.012(15)

⁷Tex. Tax Code Section 26.012(13)

⁸Tex. Tax Code Section 26.03(c)

⁹Tex. Tax Code Section 26.012(13)

¹⁰Tex. Tax Code Section 26.012

¹¹Tex. Tax Code Section 26.03(c)

¹²Tex. Tax Code Section 26.01(c) and (d)

¹³Tex. Tax Code Section 26.01(c)

¹⁴Tex. Tax Code Section 26.01(d)

¹⁵Tex. Tax Code Section 26.012(6)

¹⁶Tex. Tax Code Section 26.012(17)

SECTION 2: Rollback Tax Rate

The rollback tax rate is split into two separate rates:

1. **Maintenance and Operations (M&O):** The M&O portion is the tax rate that is needed to raise the same amount of taxes that the taxing unit levied in the prior year plus eight percent. This rate accounts for such things as salaries, utilities and day-to-day operations.
2. **Debt:** The debt tax rate includes the debt service necessary to pay the taxing unit's debt payments in the coming year. This rate accounts for principal and interest on bonds and other debt secured by property tax revenue.

The rollback tax rate for a county is the sum of the rollback tax rates calculated for each type of tax the county levies. In most cases the rollback tax rate exceeds the effective tax rate, but occasionally decreases in a taxing unit's debt service will cause the effective tax rate to be higher than the rollback tax rate.

Rollback Tax Rate Activity	Amount/Rate
26. 2016 maintenance and operations (M&O) tax rate.	\$0.5304/\$100
27. 2016 adjusted taxable value. Enter the amount from Line 11.	\$847,888,121
28. 2016 M&O taxes.	
A. Multiply Line 26 by Line 27 and divide by \$100.	\$4,497,198
B. Cities, counties and hospital districts with additional sales tax: Amount of additional sales tax collected and spent on M&O expenses in 2016. Enter amount from full year's sales tax revenue spent for M&O in 2016 fiscal year, if any. Other taxing units enter 0. Counties exclude any amount that was spent for economic development grants from the amount of sales tax spent.	\$883,988
C. Counties: Enter the amount for the state criminal justice mandate. If second or later year, the amount is for increased cost above last year's amount. Other taxing units enter 0.	\$0
D. Transferring function: If discontinuing all of a department, function or activity and transferring it to another taxing unit by written contract, enter the amount spent by the taxing unit discontinuing the function in the 12 months preceding the month of this calculation. If the taxing unit did not operate this function for this 12-month period, use the amount spent in the last full fiscal year in which the taxing unit operated the function. The taxing unit discontinuing the function will subtract this amount in H below. The taxing unit receiving the function will add this amount in H below. Other taxing units enter 0.	\$0
E. Taxes refunded for years preceding tax year 2016: Enter the amount of M&O taxes refunded in the preceding year for taxes before that year. Types of refunds include court decisions, Tax Code Section 25.25(b) and (c) corrections and Tax Code Section 31.11 payment errors. Do not include refunds for tax year 2016. This line applies only to tax years preceding tax year 2016.	\$4,550
F. Enhanced indigent health care expenditures: Enter the increased amount for the current year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures above the preceding tax year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures, less any state assistance.	\$0
G. Taxes in TIF: Enter the amount of taxes paid into the tax increment fund for a reinvestment zone as agreed by the taxing unit. If the taxing unit has no 2017 captured appraised value in Line 16D, enter 0.	\$0
H. Adjusted M&O Taxes. Add A, B, C, E and F. For taxing unit with D, subtract if discontinuing function and add if receiving function. Subtract G.	\$5,385,736

29. 2017 adjusted taxable value. Enter Line 23 from the Effective Tax Rate Worksheet.	\$887,935,434
30. 2017 effective maintenance and operations rate. Divide Line 28H by Line 29 and multiply by \$100.	\$0.6065/\$100
31. 2017 rollback maintenance and operation rate. Multiply Line 30 by 1.08.	\$0.6550/\$100
32. Total 2017 debt to be paid with property taxes and additional sales tax revenue. Debt means the interest and principal that will be paid on debts that: (1) are paid by property taxes, (2) are secured by property taxes, (3) are scheduled for payment over a period longer than one year and (4) are not classified in the taxing unit's budget as M&O expenses. A. Debt also includes contractual payments to other taxing units that have incurred debts on behalf of this taxing unit, if those debts meet the four conditions above. Include only amounts that will be paid from property tax revenue. Do not include appraisal district budget payments. Enter debt amount. B. Subtract unencumbered fund amount used to reduce total debt. C. Subtract amount paid from other resources. D. Adjusted debt. Subtract B and C from A.	\$2,166,700 \$0 \$602,050 \$1,564,650
33. Certified 2016 excess debt collections. Enter the amount certified by the collector.	\$0
34. Adjusted 2017 debt. Subtract Line 33 from Line 32D.	\$1,564,650
35. Certified 2017 anticipated collection rate. Enter the rate certified by the collector. If the rate is 100 percent or greater, enter 100 percent.	100.00%
36. 2017 debt adjusted for collections. Divide Line 34 by Line 35	\$1,564,650
37. 2017 total taxable value. Enter the amount on Line 19.	\$918,801,680
38. 2017 debt tax rate. Divide Line 36 by Line 37 and multiply by \$100.	\$0.1702/\$100
39. 2017 rollback tax rate. Add Lines 31 and 38.	\$0.8252/\$100
40. COUNTIES ONLY. Add together the rollback tax rates for each type of tax the county levies. The total is the 2017 county rollback tax rate.	

SECTION 3: Additional Sales Tax to Reduce Property Taxes

Cities, counties and hospital districts may levy a sales tax specifically to reduce property taxes. Local voters by election must approve imposing or abolishing the additional sales tax. If approved, the taxing unit must reduce its effective and rollback tax rates to offset the expected sales tax revenue.

This section should only be completed by a county, city or hospital district that is required to adjust its effective tax rate and/or rollback tax rate because it adopted the additional sales tax.

Activity	Amount/Rate
41. Taxable Sales. For taxing units that adopted the sales tax in November 2016 or May 2017, enter the Comptroller's estimate of taxable sales for the previous four quarters. ²⁰ Taxing units that adopted the sales tax before November 2016, skip this line.	\$0
42. Estimated sales tax revenue. Counties exclude any amount that is or will be spent for economic development grants from the amount of estimated sales tax revenue. ²¹ Taxing units that adopted the sales tax in November 2016 or in May 2017. Multiply the amount on Line 41 by the sales tax rate (.01, .005 or .0025, as applicable) and multiply the result by .95. ²² - or - Taxing units that adopted the sales tax before November 2016. Enter the sales tax revenue for the previous four quarters. Do not multiply by .95.	\$883,988
43. 2017 total taxable value. Enter the amount from Line 37 of the Rollback Tax Rate Worksheet.	\$918,801,680
44. Sales tax adjustment rate. Divide Line 42 by Line 43 and multiply by \$100.	\$0.0962/\$100
45. 2017 effective tax rate, unadjusted for sales tax. ²³ Enter the rate from Line 24 or 25, as applicable, on the Effective Tax Rate Worksheet.	\$0.6684/\$100
46. 2017 effective tax rate, adjusted for sales tax. Taxing units that adopted the sales tax in November 2016 or in May 2017. Subtract Line 44 from Line 45. Skip to Line 47 if you adopted the additional sales tax before November 2016.	\$0.6684/\$100
47. 2017 rollback tax rate, unadjusted for sales tax. ²⁴ Enter the rate from Line 39 or 40, as applicable, of the Rollback Tax Rate Worksheet.	\$0.8252/\$100
48. 2017 rollback tax rate, adjusted for sales tax. Subtract Line 44 from Line 47.	\$0.7290/\$100

¹⁷Tex. Tax Code Section 26.012(17)

¹⁸Tex. Tax Code Section 26.04(c)

¹⁹Tex. Tax Code Section 26.04(d)

²⁰Tex. Tax Code Section 26.041(d)

²¹Tex. Tax Code Section 26.041(i)

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²⁴Tex. Tax Code Section 26.04(c)

SECTION 4: Additional Rollback Protection for Pollution Control

A taxing unit may raise its rate for M&O funds used to pay for a facility, device or method for the control of air, water or land pollution. This includes any land, structure, building, installation, excavation, machinery, equipment or device that is used, constructed, acquired or installed wholly or partly to meet or exceed pollution control requirements. The taxing unit's expenses are those necessary to meet the requirements of a permit issued by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). The taxing unit must provide the tax assessor with a copy of the TCEQ letter of determination that states the portion of the cost of the installation for pollution control.

This section should only be completed by a taxing unit that uses M&O funds to pay for a facility, device or method for the control of air, water or land pollution.

Additional Rollback Protection for Pollution Control Activity	Amount/Rate
49. Certified expenses from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). Enter the amount certified in the determination letter from TCEQ. ²⁵ The taxing unit shall provide its tax assessor-collector with a copy of the letter. ²⁶	\$0
50. 2017 total taxable value. Enter the amount from line 37 of the Rollback Tax Rate Worksheet.	\$918,801,680
51. Additional rate for pollution control. Divide line 49 by Line 50 and multiply by \$100.	\$0/\$100
52. 2017 rollback tax rate, adjusted for pollution control. Add Line 51 to one of the following lines (as applicable): Line 39, Line 40 (counties) or Line 48 (taxing units with the additional sales tax).	\$0.7290/\$100

SECTION 5: Total Tax Rate

Indicate the applicable total tax rates as calculated above.

Effective tax rate (Line 24; line 25 for counties; or line 46 if adjusted for sales tax)	\$0.6684
Rollback tax rate (Line 39; line 40 for counties; or line 48 if adjusted for sales tax)	\$0.7290
Rollback tax rate adjusted for pollution control (Line 52)	\$0.7290

SECTION 6: Taxing Unit Representative Name and Signature

Enter the name of the person preparing the tax rate as authorized by the taxing unit.

print here

Printed Name of Taxing Unit Representative

sign here _____

Taxing Unit Representative

Date

²⁵Tex. Tax Code Section 26.045(d)

²⁶Tex. Tax Code Section 26.045(i)

AGENDA ITEM AND RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY
CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 8, 2017

Consider an Ordinance in Second Reading for a Rezoning Request from Single-Family Residence District (R-S) to Multi-Family Residence District (R-MF) for a property legally described as a 10.00-acre tract of land out of Lot 3, Block 39, Alamo Land and Sugar Company's Subdivision, located approximately a quarter of a mile West from Cesar Chavez Road along the South side of Sioux Road, as Requested by Omar Rios. (Xavier Cervantes, Director of Planning)

STAFF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

At the City Commission Meeting of July 25, 2017, the City Commission approved the First Reading of the Ordinance as presented by staff.

Previously, staff provided the following background:

Mr. Rios is proposing to rezone a 10.00-acre tract of land from Single-Family Residence District (R-S) to Multi-Family Residence District (R-MF) in order to build a subdivision for apartments. The property owner will be required to properly subdivide the property in order to undertake any improvements at the site. The surrounding zonings consist of single-family residential districts all around except for the North which is in the County.

Staff mailed a notice of the public hearing to nineteen (19) property owners within a two hundred (200) foot radius and received no comments in favor or against this request. One surrounding property owner expressed concerns about the quality of the proposed development during the Planning and Zoning Commission public hearing.

RECOMMENDATION:

During their meeting of July 6, 2017, the Planning and Zoning Commission unanimously recommended approval of the rezoning request.

PREPARED BY:

Xavier Cervantes,

APPROVED BY:

Benjamin Arjona, City

Director of Planning
and Zoning

Manager



MEETING DATES:
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION – 07/06/2017
CITY COMMISSION – 08/08/2017
DATE PREPARED – 07/28/2017

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STAFF REPORT
GENERAL INFORMATION

APPLICATION:	Rezoning Request from Single-Family Residence District (R-S) to Multi-Family Residence District (R-MF)
APPLICANT:	Omar Rios
SURVEYOR/ENGINEER:	Arturo Garcia Jr. P.E.
LEGAL:	A 10.00-acre tract of land out of Lot 3, Block 39, Alamo Land and Sugar Company's Subdivision.
LOCATION:	Approximately a quarter of a mile West from Cesar Chavez Road along the South side of Sioux Road.
CURRENT USE OF PROPERTY:	Agriculture
EXISTING LAND USE AND ZONING:	<u>North</u> – Outside City Limits <u>South</u> – Residential; Single-Family Residence District (R-S) <u>West</u> – Agriculture; Single-Family Residence District (R-S) <u>East</u> – Residential; Single-Family Residence District (R-S)
ACCESS AND CIRCULATION:	This property has access onto Sioux Road
PUBLIC SERVICES:	Water service belongs to the North Alamo Water Supply Corporation; sewer is provided by the City of San Juan.
RECOMMENDATION:	Staff recommends approval of the rezoning request.

EVALUATION AND CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

Mr. Rios is proposing to rezone a 10.00-acre tract of land from Single-Family Residence District (R-S) to Multi-Family Residence District (R-MF) in order to build a subdivision for apartments. The property owner will be required to subdivide the property in order to do any improvements to the property. The surrounding zonings consist of single-family residential all around except for the North which is in the County.

Staff mailed a notice of the public hearing before the Planning and Zoning Commission to nineteen (19) property owners within a two hundred (200) feet radius and received no comments in favor or against this request.

ATTACHMENTS:

Location Map
Aerial Photo
Zoning Map
Survey
List of neighboring property owners receiving notice
Photos
Ordinance

FINAL RESOLUTION OF REQUEST & COMMENTS:

P&Z – 07/06/17 Commissioner Vargas made a motion to approve the rezoning request as recommended by Staff. Commissioner Gonzalez seconded the motion. The motion passed with a (6-0) vote.

Commissioner Vargas asked what type of building they are planning to build on the property. Arturo Garcia Jr., project engineer, said that they were planning to build a subdivision for four-plex apartments.

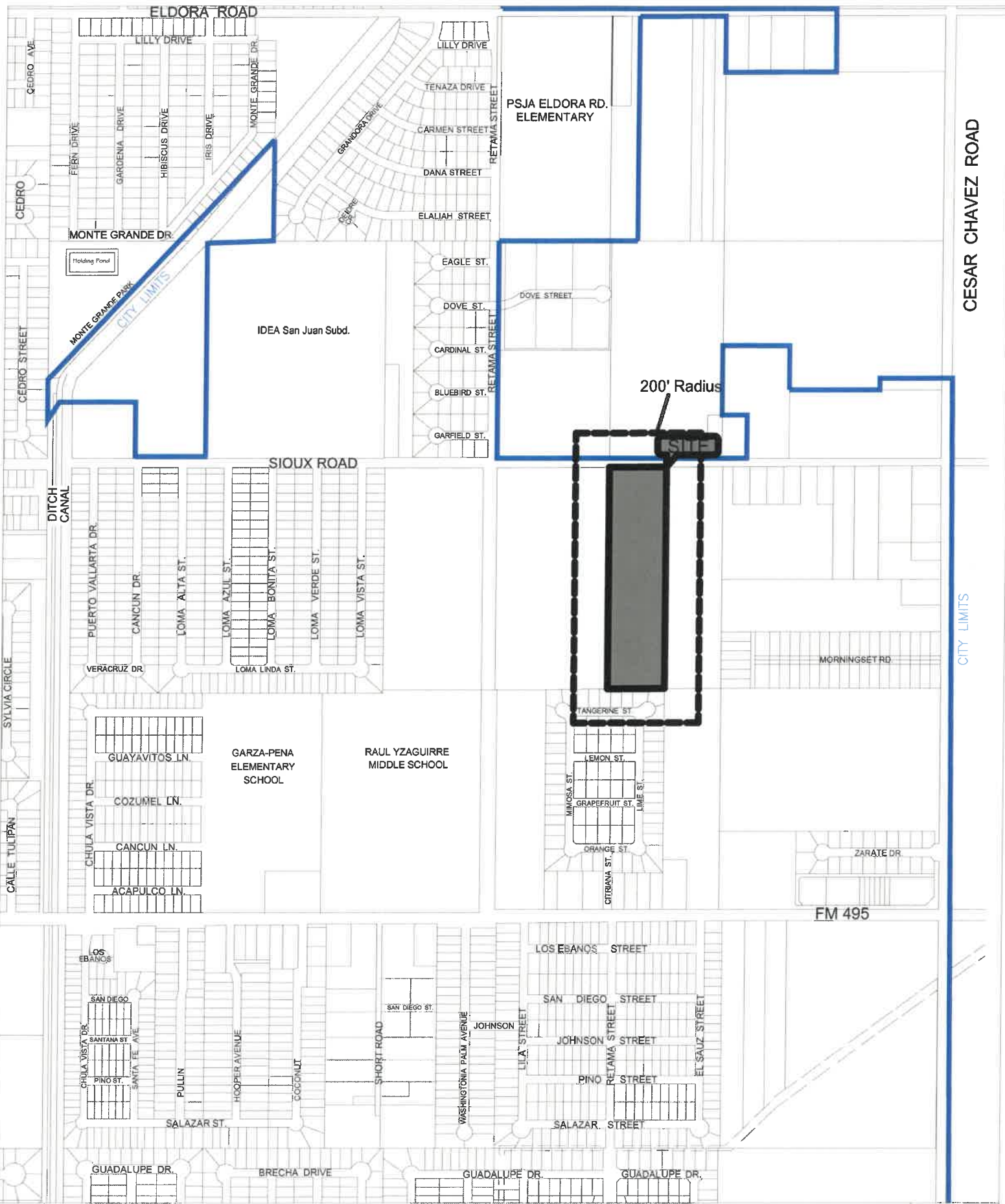
Commissioner Magallan asked Mr. Garcia about the drainage. Mr. Garcia responded that they are going to provide detention ponds inside the property that is going to drain to the West side of the property.

Edgar Rodriguez, neighboring property owner, asked if those apartments are going to have all the utilities. Vice Chairman Alaniz responded that the developer needs to comply with all the city's rules and regulations since the property is inside the city limits. Mr. Rodriguez said that he owns a property to the East and he understands that no utilities are available in the area. Vice Chairman Alaniz responded if he wants to develop the property, the developer will need to go through the subdivision process.

Mr. Rodriguez asked how many apartments would be built. Vice Chairman Alaniz responded that they are only discussing the zoning change at this time. Arturo Garcia said that they are thinking of building 30 to 40 four-plexes and all the utilities will be installed.

Mr. Rodriguez asked what is going to happen if the applicant decided to do something else. Mr. Cervantes responded that the applicant will have to come before the board again to change the zoning again. Mr. Rodriguez said that his main concern is the trash because most of the apartments he has seen always have a mess. Mr. Cervantes reminded the commission that they can put conditions on the plat but not on the zoning. Mr. Arturo Garcia stated that Mr. Rios is proposing a quality project with deed restrictions for the City of San Juan.

Mr. Cervantes stated that this is a good example of why the City of San Juan needs a comprehensive plan, since right now the City does not have a plan to guide us on this type of zoning changes. Vice Chairman Alaniz asked if there are any collector roads between those properties. Mr. Cervantes said Retama Road eventually is going to connect from the Expressway to Nolana Avenue which will help with the traffic circulation.



Legend

-  CITY LIMITS
-  Proposed area

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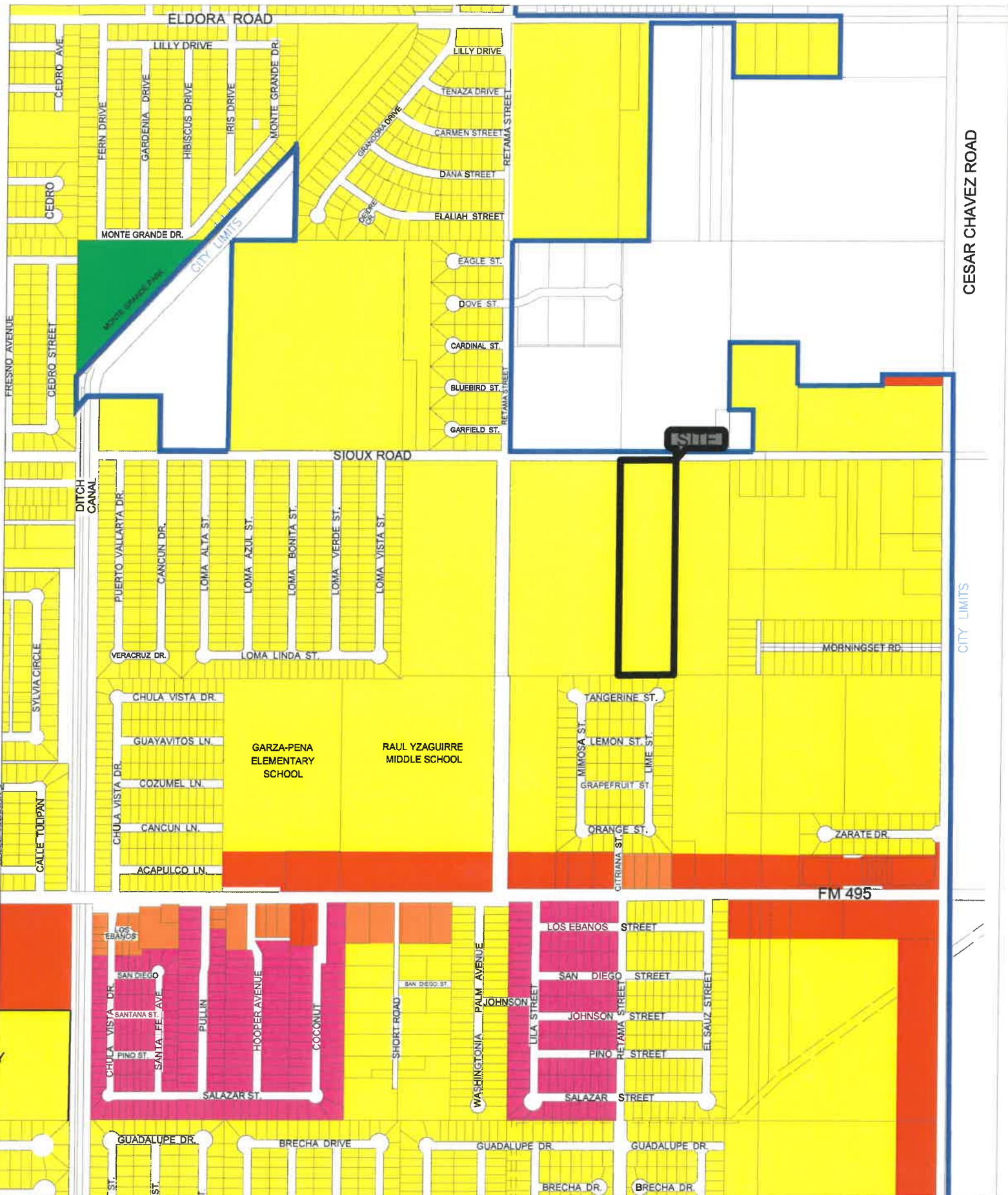


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Zoning Districts

 Single Family Residential (R-S)	 General Business (C-2)
 Manufactured Home (R-MH)	 Heavy Commercial (C-3)
 Multi-Family Residential (R-MF)	 Light Industrial (I-1)
 Neighborhood Commercial (C-1)	 Heavy Industrial (I-2)
	 Open Space (O)

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N.W. COR. LOT 3
S 81°28'09" E
660.00'
20.00'
SET C.P.S.
FND. 5/8" IRON ROD
SET C.P.S.
FND. C.P.S. N.E. COR. LOT 3
S 81°28'09" E
330.00'
N 81°28'09" W
330.00'
SIOUX ROAD 1320.00'

20.00'
EXIST. 40.00' R.O.W.
SET 1/2" x 24" IRON ROD WITH PLASTIC CAP STAMPED RPLS 4856
OVERHEAD POWER LINE
20.00'
SET 1/2" x 24" IRON ROD WITH PLASTIC CAP STAMPED RPLS 4856

1320.00'
10.00 ACRES GROSS
0.15 AC. IN RD. R.O.W.
0.16 AC. IN HCID No. 2
9.69 ACRES NET
1320.00'

THE ROSELIO RIOS TRACT: A 13.46 ACRES TRACT OUT OF THE WEST 20.00 ACRES OF LOT 3, BLOCK 39, ALAMO LAND AND SUGAR COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS, DEED WITH VENDOR'S LIEN RECORDED UNDER COUNTY CLERK'S DOCUMENT NUMBER 2282268, OFFICIAL RECORDS, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS, (SAME AND EXCEPT THE WEST 6.34 ACRES).

THE RIOS A CONSULTANT TRACT: A 9.00 ACRE TRACT OUT OF THE EAST HALF OF THE EAST HALF OF LOT 3, BLOCK 39, ALAMO LAND AND SUGAR COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS, DEED WITH VENDOR'S LIEN RECORDED UNDER COUNTY CLERK'S DOCUMENT NUMBER 2803783, OFFICIAL RECORDS, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS, (SAME AND EXCEPT 1.0 ACRE TRACT).

30.00' RIGHT OF WAY EASEMENT TO HIDALGO COUNTY IRRIGATION DISTRICT No. 2 RECORDED IN VOLUME 10, PAGE 201, AND VOLUME 25, PAGE 312, DEED RECORDS, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS.

EXIST. 12" DRAIN LINE
S 08°31'51" W
15.00'

CEMENT FENCE CHAINLINK FENCE
N 81°28'09" W
330.00'

FND. 1/2" IRON ROD
50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57
49 48 47 46 45 44 43

TANGERINE ST
1 2 3 4 5
COTTONHILL VILLAGE SUBDIVISION RECORDED IN VOLUME 21, PAGE 97, MAP RECORDS, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS.
10 9 8 7 6
LIME ST
58 59 60 61 62 63

LEMON ST
PLAT SHOWING
A 10.00 ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF LOT 3, BLOCK 39, ALAMO LAND AND SUGAR COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN VOLUME 1, PAGES 24-28, MAP RECORDS, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS, AND ACCORDING TO WARRANTY DEED WITH VENDOR'S LIEN RECORDED UNDER COUNTY CLERK'S DOCUMENT NUMBERS 1459261 AND 1459262, OFFICIAL RECORDS, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS.

LOT 6, BLOCK 39, ALAMO LAND AND SUGAR COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION, RECORDED IN VOLUME 1, PAGES 24-28, MAP RECORDS, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS.

FLOOD ZONE DESIGNATION: ZONE "B"
AREAS BETWEEN LIMITS OF THE 100-YEAR AND 500-YEAR FLOOD; OR CERTAIN AREAS SUBJECT TO 100-YEAR FLOODING WITH AVERAGE DEPTHS LESS THAN ONE (1) FOOT OR WHERE THE CONTRIBUTING DRAINAGE AREA IS LESS THAN ONE (1) SQUARE MILE; OR AREAS PROTECTED BY LEVEES FROM THE BASE FLOOD.
COMMUNITY-PANEL NUMBER 480334 0425 C
MAP REVISED: NOVEMBER 16, 1992

BEARINGS SHOWN ON THIS SURVEY PLAT ARE IN ACCORDANCE WITH MOONLIGHT SUBDIVISION RECORDED IN VOLUME 32, PAGE 1234, MAP RECORDS, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS.

THE PROPERTY SHOWN ON THIS SURVEY PLAT MAY BE SUBJECT TO THE SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS OF THE COUNTY OF HIDALGO AND/OR ORDINANCES OR GOVERNMENTAL REGULATIONS OF THE CITY IN WHICH THE PROPERTY MAY BE LOCATED OR HOLDING EXTRA TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION.

I, ALFONSO QUINTANILLA, A REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING PLAT TO BE A TRUE AND CORRECT REPRESENTATION OF THE LANDS SHOWN AS THE RESULT OF AN ACTUAL SURVEY DONE ON THE GROUND UNDER MY DIRECTION. THERE ARE NO VISIBLE DISCREPANCIES, CONFLICTS, OR SHORTAGES IN AREA ON BOUNDARY LINES, OR ANY VISIBLE ENCROACHMENTS, OR ANY VISIBLE OVERLAPPING OF IMPROVEMENTS EXCEPT AS SHOWN ON THIS PLAT.

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Rios, Omar
2216 Cedro St.
San Juan, TX 78589

Bank of New York Mellon
7360 S. Kyrene Rd.
Tempe, AZ 85283-8432

Rodriguez, Edgar
106 W. Thelma St.
San Juan, TX 78589

De la Rosa, Antonio and Elodia
1437 Moonlight Ave.
Alamo, TX 78516-6884

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Cristo La Roca Inc.
P.O. Box 298
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Hernandez, Jesus M. & Danielle R.
Weidenannt
822 Tangerine St.
San Juan, TX 78589-4813

Garza, Eliseo
1032 Citriana Dr.
San Juan, TX 78589-4001

Guajardo, Martin I.
825 Tangerine St.
San Juan, TX 78589

Mendez, Martha
1033 Citriana Dr.
San Juan, TX 78589-4002

Quintero, Victor
827 Tangerine St.
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Pena, Eleazar
1907 Tangerine St.
San Juan, TX 78589-3182

Montalvo, Erasmo and Mariela
909 Tangerine St.
San Juan, TX 78589

Gomez, Elizabeth
1035 Tangerine St.
San Juan, TX 78589-4002

Davila, Luz Lauro
831 Tangerine St.
San Juan, TX 78589-4800

Guajardo, Jose A. and Antonia
1036 Citriana Dr.
San Juan, TX 78589-4001

Gonzalez, Consuelo Aguilar
1026 Citriana Dr.
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Proposed Site

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 98-006, THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAN JUAN, TO CHANGE THE ZONING DISTRICT FROM SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT (R-S) TO MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT (R-MF) FOR THE PROPERTY LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS A 10.00-ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF LOT 3, BLOCK 39, ALAMO LAND AND SUGAR COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION, LOCATED APPROXIMATELY A QUARTER OF A MILE WEST FROM CESAR CHAVEZ ROAD ALONG THE SOUTH SIDE OF SIOUX ROAD.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SAN JUAN, TEXAS:

Consistent with the City's land use plan as set-forth in the land use map that is a part of the City's Zoning Ordinance, and consistent with the City's intentions of allowing and encouraging multi-family development that generates property taxes, water and sewer revenues and sales tax revenues.

The zoning district of the property legally described as a 10.00-acre tract of land out of Lot 3, Block 39, Alamo Land and Sugar Company's Subdivision, as shown as Exhibit "A" shall be changed from Single-Family Residence District (R-S) to Multi-Family Residence District (R-MF) and the zoning map shall be amended accordingly.

PASSED and APPROVED on first reading on the 25th day of July, 2017.

PASSED and APPROVED on second and final reading on the 8th day of August, 2017.

CITY OF SAN JUAN

MARIO GARZA, MAYOR

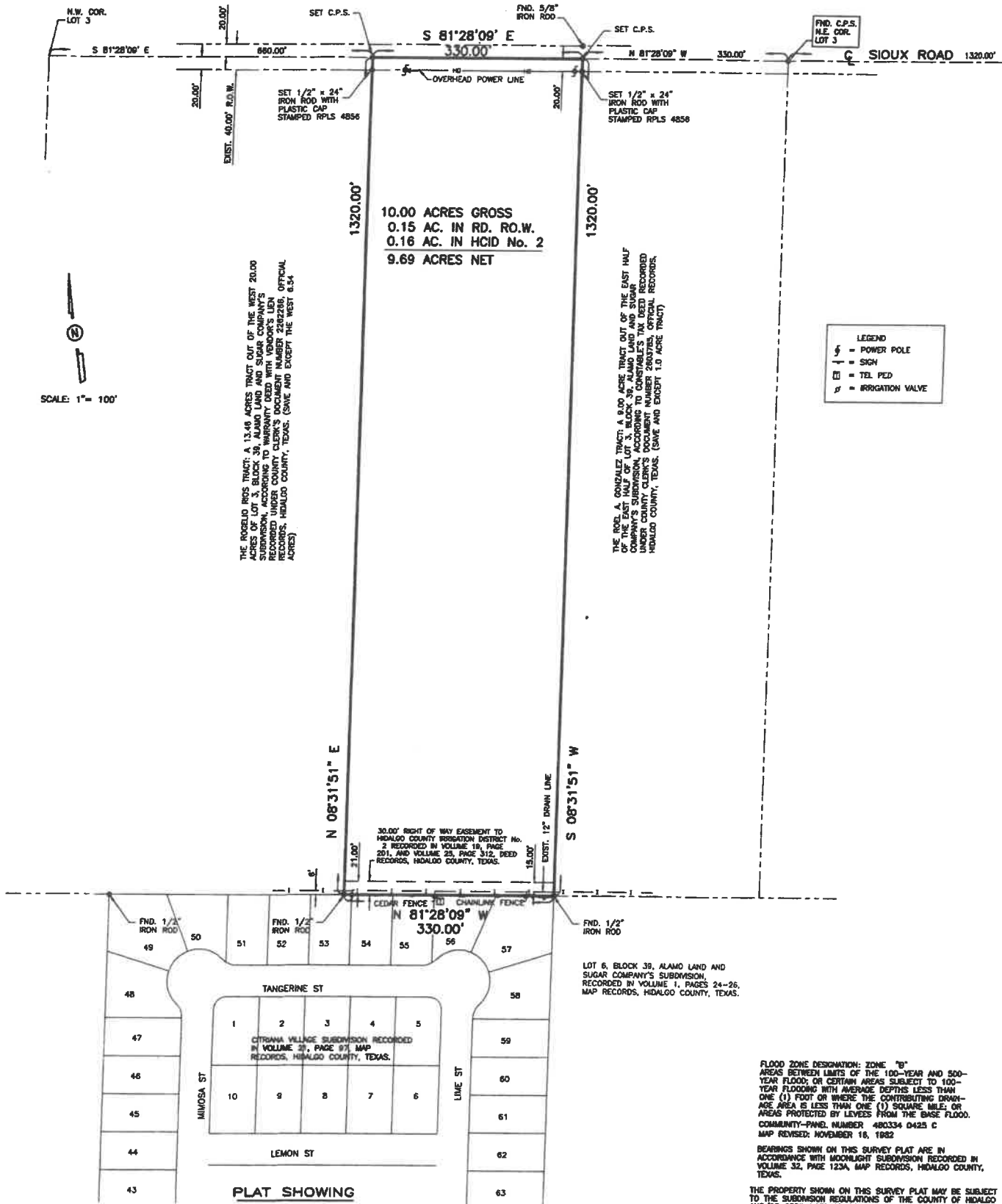
ATTEST:

DIANA CAVAZOS, CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED BY:
PALACIOS, GARZA & THOMPSON, P.C.

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Exhibit "A"



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