**TAKE NOTICE THAT A REGULAR MEETING**
**OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL**
**OF THE CITY OF PHARR, TEXAS**
**WILL BE HELD AT CITY HALL, COMMISSIONERS' ROOM,**
**118 S. CAGE BLVD., 2ND FLOOR, PHARR, TEXAS**
**COMMENCING AT 6:00 PM ON**
**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2023**

*The City of Pharr has called this meeting as allowed pursuant to Texas law, city charter, and city ordinances. The governing body may recess from day to day when it does not complete consideration of a particularly long subject as authorized by law. All persons desiring to address the governing body must register with the presiding city clerk prior to the scheduled meeting.*

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

   A) Roll call and possible action on the excusing of any absent member.

2. PUBLIC HEARING: *(Ordinance No. O-2019-31). A registered speaker during the public hearing may not exceed 1.5 minutes when addressing the board. A sign-in form for participation in public a hearing shall be promulgated by the presiding clerk and be made available at the city clerk's office. The public hearing sign-in form shall include the person or entity's name, address, telephone number, other contact information, organization if applicable, and other notices, authorizations, and acknowledgements as may be allowed by law from time to time. No registered speaker may be allowed to address the governing body once the public hearing has closed.*

   A) Public Hearing for soliciting comments for the City of Pharr's Community Development Block Grant Program for its 2023 One Year Action Plan on the Notice of Funding Availability.

3. ADMINISTRATIVE:

   A) Approval of Minutes for December 14, 2022.

4. ADJOURNMENT:

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the above notice of said Meeting of the Community Development Council of the City of Pharr was posted on the bulletin board at City Hall and on the City's web page at www.pharr-tx.gov. This Notice was posted on the 10th day of February 2023 at 4:45 p.m. and will remain posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting, in compliance with Chapter 551 of the Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated (Open Meetings Act).

**WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL, this 10th day of February 2023.**

IMELDA PEREZ, TRMC
ASSISTANT CITY CLERK

# AGENDA MEMORANDUM

**BOARD:** Community Development Council

**AGENDA ITEM #:** 2.A.
**DATE SUBMITTED:** February 10, 2023
**MEETING DATE:** February 17, 2023

**FROM:** Olga Lerma, Administrative Assistant

**DEPARTMENT**: GMCD

**DIRECTOR:** Cynthia Garza

**Agenda Item:** Public Hearing for soliciting comments for the City of Pharr's Community Development Block Grant Program for its 2023 One Year Action Plan on the Notice of Funding Availability.

**Classification:** Public Hearing
**(* If closed session, City Attorney must review and approve.)**

**Issue:** Public Hearing for soliciting comments for the City of Pharr's Community Development Block Grant Program for its 2023 One Year Action Plan on the Notice of Funding Availability.

**Fiscal Consideration:**

**Staff Recommendation:** Staff recommends approval of Public Hearing

**Alternatives:** N/A

**Exclude Material from Public Packet?** No
**Reason:** N/A

## ROUTING:

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| Olga Lerma | Created/Initiated - 2/10/2023 |
| Cynthia Garza | Final Approval - 2/10/2023 |

**CITY OF PHARR, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS**
**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM**
**NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY/PUBLIC HEARING**
**PROGRAM YEAR 2023**

The City of Pharr's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Office is currently planning for its 2023 Action Plan process. As required by the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development's federal regulations, the City will follow its Citizens Participation Process and hold a series of public hearings from February 17, 2023 through June 15, 2023 to encourage comments and views on the implementation of the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development 2023 CDBG allocation.

Citizen participation is encouraged throughout the development of the 2023 Action Plan, principally from persons of low and moderate income and comments received at all public hearings will be considered in the decision-making process.

The First Public Hearing will be as follows:

**February 17, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.**
**City Hall – City Commission Room**
**118 S. Cage Blvd. 2nd floor**
**Pharr, Texas 78577**

The City's proposed 2023 Community Development Block Grant allocation is estimated to be $1,128,634. The proposed allocation is subject to change as per the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development's official release. Listed below is a partial list of eligible activities:

Public Facilities Needs

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| Senior Centers | Health Facilities | |
| Neighborhood Facilities | Parking Facilities | |
| Youth Centers | Child Care Centers | Park & Recreations |

Infrastructure Improvements Needs
Flood Drain Improvements
Sewer & Water Improvements
Street Improvements

Public Service Needs

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| Senior Services | Youth Services | Lead Base Paint/Hazard Abatement |
| Handicapped Services | Child Care Services | Housing Needs |
| Accessibility | Community Planning | Program Administration |
| Economic Development Needs | Code Enforcement | Technical Assistance |

It is the objective of the City of Pharr to comply with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 and the ADA Amendment Act of 2008, the Fair Housing Act, and the Architectural Barriers Act in all respects. Persons with disabilities/handicapped, non-English speaking, or limited English proficiency (LEP) who may require an interpreter shall be provided upon request by calling (956) 402-4190 at least three (3) days in advance. Persons who are deaf, hard-of-hearing, deaf- blind or speech-disabled may use Relay Texas at (800) 735-2989 to call the City of Pharr Grants Management Community Development Department and request arrangements in order to participate in the citizen participation process. The City of Pharr does not discriminate on the basis of disability status in the admission of, or access to, or treatment in its federally assisted programs or activities.

For more information, please contact the Grants Management Community Development Department at (956) 402-4190. Written comments may be forwarded to:

City of Pharr
Grants Management Community Development Department
Cynthia Garza, GMCD Director
118 S. Cage Blvd, Second Floor
Pharr, Texas 78577

I, the undersigned authority, do certify that the above document of said notice is a true and correct copy and that said notice was posted on the bulletin board of City Hall, The Advance, The Pharr Library, on the City's web page at www.pharr-tx.gov. This notice was posted at a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times, and said notice was posted on Wednesday, February 08, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. and will remain posted continuously for the Comment Period in compliance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code (Open Meeting Act).

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL, THIS 8th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2023.

HILDA PEDRAZA, CITY CLERK

CITY OF PHARR
PHARR, TEXAS

**CIUDAD DE PHARR, CONDADO DE HIDALGO, TEXAS**
**PROGRAMA DEL DESAROLLO COMUNITARIO**
**AVISO DE AUDENCIA PUBLICA Y DISPONIBILIDAD DE FONDOS**
**DEL PROGRAMA 2023**

La Oficina del Programa De Desarrollo Comunitario está en el proceso de planificación Anual 2023. Como es requerido por regulaciones federales, la Ciudad de Pharr seguirá el Proceso de Participación del ciudadano y tendrá una serie de juntas para el público empezando el día 17 de febrero de 2023 al 15 de junio de 2023, se invita al público para que den sus comentarios y opiniones en la implementación de asignaciones para el año 2023.

Es muy importante la participación del publico principalmente de recursos bajos/medianos. Los comentarios serán considerados para el Plan Anual.

La primera junta publica se llevará a cabo el día:
**17 de febrero de 2023 a las 6:00 p.m.**
**Municipio de Pharr – Salón de Juntas**
**118 S. Cage Blvd. 2do Piso**
**Pharr, Texas 78577**

La Propuesta para el 2023 es estimada en la cantidad de $1,128,634.00. Las Propuestas Asignadas pueden ser cambiadas en base a el formulario del Departamento de Desarrollo Urbano (HUD) de Vivienda. Las actividades elegibles son las siguientes.

Centros Públicos
Centros para Ancianos
Centros para Jóvenes
Centros en Vecindarios
Parques y Áreas Recreativas
Centros de Salud
Guarderías Infantiles
Estacionamientos

Infraestructura
Mejoramiento del sistema de Agua, Desagüe, y Drenaje
Mejoramiento de Calles

Servicios Públicos
Servicios para Ancianos
Servicios para Jóvenes
Servicios para Personas Discapacitadas
Servicios para Guardería Infantil

Accesibilidad
Desarrollo Económico
Asistencia Técnica
Pintura a Base de Plomo/Peligro
Cumplimiento de Código
Centros de Refugio
Viviendas
Planificación de la Ciudad
Administración de Programas

El objetivo del la Ciudad de Pharr es cumplir con la Sección 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitación de 1973, según enmendada, la Ley de Estadounidenses con Discapacidades (ADA) de 1990 y la Ley de Enmienda ADA de 2008, la Ley de Vivienda Justa y la Ley de Barreras Arquitectónicas con todo respeto. Las personas con discapacidades / discapacitadas, que no hablen inglés o que tengan un dominio limitado del inglés (LEP) que puedan requerir un intérprete se les proporcionará a pedido llamando al (956) 402-4190 con al menos tres (3) días de anticipación. Las personas sordas, con problemas de audición, sordociegos o con discapacidad del habla pueden usar Relay Texas al (800) 735-2989 para llamar al Programa GMCD y solicitar arreglos para participar en el proceso de participación de ciudadanos. La Ciudad de Pharr no discrimina sobre la base del estado de discapacidad en la admisión, el acceso o el tratamiento en sus programas o actividades con asistencia federal.

Para mas información puede comunicarse con el departamento de Grants Management Community Development al 956-402-4190. Puede mandar sus comentarios por escrito a la siguiente dirección:

Ciudad de Pharr
Grants Management Community Development Department
Cynthia Garza, GMCD Directora
118 S. Cage Blvd, 2do Piso
Pharr, Texas 78577

Yo, la autoridad firmante certifico que el documento anterior de dicho aviso es una copia verdadera y correcta y que dicho aviso fue publicado en el tablon de anuncios del Municipio de la Ciudad de Pharr, The Advance, Pharr Library, y en la pagina web www.pharr-tx.gov. Este aviso fue publicado en un lugar conveniente y facilmente accesible para el publico en general en todo momento, y dicho aviso fue publicado miercoles 8 de febrero de 2023 a las 3:00 p.m. y permanecerá publicado continuamente en cumplimiento con el Capitulo 551 del Codigo del Leyes de Texas (Ley de Reunion Abierta).

DOY FE CON MI MANO Y SELLO, EL DIA 8 DE FEBRERO, 2023.

HILDA PEDRAZA, CITY CLERK

CITY OF PHARR
PHARR, TEXAS

# AGENDA MEMORANDUM

**BOARD:** Community Development Council

**AGENDA ITEM #:** 3.A.
**DATE SUBMITTED:** February 10, 2023
**MEETING DATE:** February 17, 2023

**FROM:** Olga Lerma, Administrative Assistant

**DEPARTMENT**: GMCD

**DIRECTOR:** Cynthia Garza

**Agenda Item:** Approval of Minutes for December 14, 2022.

**Classification:** Regular
**(* If closed session, City Attorney must review and approve.)**

**Issue:**

**Fiscal Consideration:**

**Staff Recommendation:** Staff recommends approval of minutes for December 14, 2022.

**Alternatives:**

**Exclude Material from Public Packet?** No
**Reason:**

## ROUTING:

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| Olga Lerma | Created/Initiated - 2/10/2023 |
| Cynthia Garza | Final Approval - 2/10/2023 |

**MINUTES**
**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL MEETING**
**PUBLIC HEARING**
**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2022**

The City of Pharr's Community Development Council held a public hearing on Wednesday, December 14, 2022, and the following is the record of attendance:

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| **COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** | Rene Cantú<br>Norma Treviño<br>Lucio Gaitan<br>Victor Alvarez<br>Liza Nuñez<br>Danny Smith |
| **COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:** | Romeo Robles Jr.<br>Olga Cardoza<br>Carla Beltran<br>Marco Gonzalez<br>Belia Garcia |
| **STAFF PRESENT:** | Sandra Regalado, CDBG Manager<br>Iris Mata, CDBG Specialist<br>Olga Lerma, Administrative Assistant |

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

**A) ROLL CALL AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE EXCUSING OF ANY ABSENT MEMBER**

Chairman, Rene Cantu, called the meeting to order at 6:24p.m. Roll call established a quorum.

Board Member, Danny Smith, **moved** to excuse the absent members. Board Member, Liza Nuñez, seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

**2. PUBLIC HEARING:**

**A) PUBLIC HEARING FOR SOLICITATION OF COMMENTS ON SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO REALLOCATE FUNDS FOR THE FY 2019 ACTION PLAN, 2020 ACTION PLAN AND CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN.**

Chairman, Rene Cantu, opened the public hearing and asked if anyone had signed up.
Sandra Regalado, CDBG Manager, stated no one registered to speak, but public comments were received and attached in the agenda packet and would

be submitted to HUD. She further introduced the items and stated this was the first public hearing for the Fiscal Year 2019 and 2020 Action Plans.

Sandra Regalado, CDBG Manager, further stated staff was proposing to move $150,000 from the Small Business Relief to the Emergency Utility Program for the One Year Action Plan FY 2019 – Cares Act Covid-19. In addition, $243,956.17 was being proposed from Jones Box Park to the South Pharr WIFI for the One Year Action Plan FY 2020.

Sandra Regalado, CDBG Manager explained the proposed amendment would reduce the amount currently available in the Jones Box Park activity. She further states an amendment was made in May 2021 but was never funded in its entirety. Therefore, staff was requesting to move the unused funds to the South Pharr WIFI as it has become a priority activity for the city.

**B) PUBLIC HEARING FOR SOLICITATION DURING THE 15-DAY COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE & EVALUATION (CAPER).**

Chairman, Rene Cantu, opened the public hearing and asked if anyone had signed up.

Sandra Regalado, CDBG Manager, stated no one registered to speak.

**3. ADMINISTRATIVE:**

**A) APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 3, 2022**

Chairman, Rene Cantu, introduced the item.

Board Member, Lucio Gaitan, **moved** to approve the minutes. Board Member, Liza Nuñez, seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

**B) APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 18, 2022**

Chairman, Rene Cantu, introduced the item.

Board Member, Norma Treviño, **moved** to approve the minutes. Board Member, Victor Alvarez, seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

**4. ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no other business, Chairman, Rene Cantu, **moved** to adjourn. Council Member, Lucio Gaitan, seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously. Public Hearing adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

**STATE OF TEXAS**
**COUNTY OF HIDALGO**
**CITY OF PHARR**

On the 14th day of December 2022, the Community Development Council Board of the City of Pharr, Texas, convened a Regular Called Meeting at City Hall, 2nd floor, 118 S. Cage Blvd. The meeting being open to the public notice of the said meeting, giving the date, place and subject hereof, having been posting in accordance with Chapter 551. Texas Government Code (Open Meeting Act) and there being a present quorum, I, Olga Lerma, Administrative Assistant, for Grants Management Community Development of the City of Pharr, Texas, certify that this is true and correct copy of the minutes

ATTEST:

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Olga Lerma, Administrative Assistant

APPROVED DATE:_____