



**To the Mayor and Members of the City Council**

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**SUBJECT: PATHWAYS TO REMOVING OBSTACLES TO HOUSING (PRO-HOUSING) GRANT ACTION PLAN**

The purpose of this report is to provide information on Fort Worth's Pathways to Removing Obstacles to Housing (PRO-Housing) Grant Action Plan, in advance of City Council action on an M&C scheduled for June 10. The Action Plan describes use of federal funds in the amount of \$5,000,000, awarded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to identify and remove barriers to affordable housing production and preservation.

In October 2023, Neighborhood Services, Development Services, Transportation and Public Works, and Fort Worth Lab, submitted a grant application to HUD requesting \$10,000,000. This application was submitted with the purpose of expanding the development of affordable housing within Fort Worth. On June 26, 2024, HUD notified the City of Fort Worth that it had been selected for an award of \$5,000,000. Based on the final award amount, City staff identified four activities for City Council approval as summarized below:

<b>PRO HOUSING GRANT PROGRAM BUDGET</b>	
<b>ACTIVITY</b>	<b>ESTIMATED COST</b>
<b>Administration (4%)</b> Grant funds will be used to pay for Neighborhood Services staff salaries and fringe benefits, insurance, supplies and associated costs to administer and oversee PRO Housing Grant program.	\$200,000
<b>Pattern Book of Housing</b> A housing pattern book of architectural and engineering stamped plans, pre-approved by the City's Development Services Department, for infill housing in Fort Worth neighborhoods, including single-family homes, duplexes, and missing middle housing (2-12-unit housing). The City would purchase the intellectual property developed through the pattern book so that Fort Worth residents can use the plans at zero to low cost and receive expedited approvals through Development Services if the plans are used.	\$960,000
<b>Station Area Plan &amp; Code - Northside Stockyards</b> The Northside/Stockyards Trinity Metro & Trinity Railway Express (TRE) station - located close to the Fort Worth Stockyards and the Northside neighborhoods - needs a station area plan and a guide for the redevelopment of the areas surrounding the station to transition to a true transit-oriented district.	\$572,000
<b>Retrofitting Suburban Malls</b> Fort Worth has three older, indoor malls and one shopping center near substantial employment centers. Given that indoor malls have not been built in the United States since the early 2000s and are not always able to repurpose themselves through the private market or the tremendous parking fields (largely vacant), the City can assist the property owners in the "retrofit" of these malls to rebuild neighborhoods with new land use patterns.	\$768,000
<b>Multifamily Housing Development Capital (Evans &amp; Rosedale Project)</b> The proposed project is the Evans & Rosedale Urban Village Development in southeast Fort Worth. Funding would be used to support the mixed-use urban development, which will include 170 to 181 residential rental units, commercial, retail, and public spaces.	\$2,500,000
<b>TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET</b>	<b>\$5,000,000</b>

For any questions, please contact Kacey Bess, Neighborhood Services Department Director.

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