

**CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Program Year (PY) 2019 Annual Action Plan Amendment (CDBG-CV3 Funding)**

On March 27, 2020, The Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136, was signed by President Trump. The CARES Act makes available supplemental Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV) funding for grants to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus (COVID-19). These grants provide flexibilities for CDBG grantees to expedite the use of grant funds to help address the challenges facing our nation during this historic public health crisis.

The Farmington Hills second allocation of funds under the grants will be \$334,118.00 (CDBG-CV3). The Farmington Hills Community Development Office will administer the funds. Farmington Hills must submit an amended PY 2019 Annual Action Plan to include the CDBG-CV3 funding.

A virtual public hearing will be held on **Monday January 11, 2021 at 7:30 PM** to obtain the views of citizens concerning the approval of the proposed PY 2019 Annual Action Plan amendment.

Proposed Amendment to the PY 2019 Annual Action Plan to include Community Development Activities and Use of CDBG-CV3 Funds as follows:

<u>Activities</u>	<u>Allocation</u>
Administration	\$ 36,000
Food Bank/Food Distribution	\$ 103,118
Mortgage/Rental/Utility Assistance	<u>\$ 195,000</u>
Total:	\$ 334,118

In accordance with HUD guidelines, the proposed PY 2019 Annual Action Plan amendment for the City of Farmington Hills must be published for no less than 5 calendar days for public comment before it is submitted to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The public comment period will remain in effect until Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 4:30 PM.

Beginning on Monday December 28, 2020 the proposed PY 2019 Annual Action Plan amendment will be available at the City of Farmington Hills website fhgov.com. Hard copies will be provided upon request by calling Community Development Office at 248-871-2543, Monday-Friday between 8:30 AM-4:30 PM. All interested persons may provide written comments to the City of Farmington Hills Community Development Office, 31555 W. Eleven Mile, Farmington Hills, MI 48336, Attn: Charmaine Kettler-Schmult or by e-mail ckettler@fhgov.com.

NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC MEETING

PLEASE NOTE: THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD ELECTRONICALLY AS AUTHORIZED UNDER THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, MCL 15.261, ET SEQ., AS AMENDED. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC BODY AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY PARTICIPATE ELECTRONICALLY, AS DESCRIBED BELOW.

The reason for holding this meeting electronically is to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, protect the public health, and provide essential protections to vulnerable citizens, by limiting in-person contact. Critical mitigation measures include social distancing and limiting the number of people interacting at public gatherings. This includes public meetings.

Procedure for public participation by electronic means:

The City will be utilizing the video/audio conferencing platform Zoom for electronic meetings, which will be accessible to members of the public body and members of the public. Members of the public body will be able to hear and speak (and see if using video) to each other for the entire meeting. Except for any closed session

portions of the meeting, members of the public will be able to hear (and possibly see) members of the public body during the entire meeting but will only be able to speak during a public comment period or during a public hearing, as explained below.

The meeting host will call for public comment during that portion of the meeting and may also ask if there are public comments as each agenda item is being discussed, including public hearings. Members of the public participating in the electronic meeting who wish to speak during public comment, on an agenda item, or at a public hearing should use the "Raise Hand" feature in Zoom or if you dialed into the meeting use *9 on the telephone keypad to raise your hand; but only after the meeting host has called for comments. Pressing *9 on a telephone keypad will activate the "Raise Hand" feature signaling to the meeting host that a participant wishes to speak. Participants will be called upon one at a time, as would happen during an in-person meeting. The meeting host will determine the order of participant speakers. The participant will be acknowledged by name, if available, or by the last 4 digits of the participant's phone number. The participant will have five (5) minutes to share comments with the public body. At the conclusion of the participant's comments or the allotted five (5) minutes, the participant will be muted or requested to mute themselves. Participants calling in should use *6 on a telephone keypad to mute and unmute themselves when called upon by the meeting host to do so.

Public comments may also be emailed to psmith@fhgov.com **prior to 7:00 pm** on the date of this meeting to be read aloud at the meeting either during the agenda item to which the comment pertains or during the Public Questions and Comments portion of the meeting.

How members of the public may participate:

Members of the public are welcome to participate in the electronic meeting and may do so by clicking or copying and pasting the Zoom webinar/meeting link in their browser (downloading Zoom client is required) or by using the dial in number and webinar or meeting ID, all of which are located at the top of the agenda.

Members of the public may contact members of the City Council using the City of Farmington Hills government e-mail addresses for Councilmembers, which are available on the City's website at: <https://fhgov.com/Government/Mayor-and-Council.aspx>.

For City Council and Planning Commission meetings only, members of the public may also watch those meetings live over cable television or by tuning into the City's YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/user/FHChannel8> or by selecting the YouTube icon from the City's homepage at <https://fhgov.com/Home.aspx>. The video recording of the meeting will also be available the next day on the City's website or from YouTube. Closed captioning is an option available through YouTube.

Procedures for accommodations for persons with disabilities:

The City will be following its normal procedures for accommodation of persons with disabilities. Those individuals needing accommodations for effective participation in this meeting should contact the City Clerk (248) 871-2410 at least two working days in advance of the meeting. An attempt will be made to make reasonable accommodations.

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