

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM
CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE:	To Conduct a Public Hearing to Amend the 2008 Community Development Block Grant Projects and Authorize the City Manager to Sign the Contract Amendment to Implement the 2008 Project
DEPARTMENT:	Community Services Division
PRESENTED BY:	Rob Beem, Community Services Manager Bethany Wolbrecht-Dunn, Grants Specialist

PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT: Each fall, the City Council conducts a Public Hearing on the proposed use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for the following year. After the hearing is held the Council deliberates and approves a slate of CDBG projects. When significant changes need to be made to a CDBG project, King County CDBG Consortium policy dictates that cities must complete a formal amendment process that includes holding a public hearing and Council action.

Staff is bringing forward the following amendment request.

- *Use available 2007 CDBG Curb Ramp funds and add to 2008 CDBG Curb Ramp Funds.* This amendment would allocate remaining funds from the 2007 Curb Ramp project to the 2008 Curb Ramp Project. The 2007 Curb Ramp project was allocated \$190,585 in CDBG funds. At the completion of the project there are \$54,163.50 CDBG funds available, which we recommend being applied to the 2008 CDBG program. The new total for the 2008 CDBG Curb Ramp project will be \$176,186.50.

ALTERNATIVES ANALYZED: After holding a public hearing on proposed CDBG amendments, Council has two alternatives to consider:

- Council could approve the CDBG project amendment as recommended and authorize the City Manager to take the actions necessary to implement these spending objectives. (Recommended)
- Council could make changes to the recommended amendment in response to public testimony or to reflect a change in Council policy objectives.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: This action does not allocate any additional CDBG funds; only modifies the scope of one project and adds unused funds from the 2007 Curb Ramp project to the 2008 Curb Ramp project.

RECOMMENDATION

After holding a public hearing, staff recommends that Council adopt the project amendment and authorize the City Manager to enter into the amendment agreement for implementing the funded project.

Approved By: City Manager  City Attorney ____

INTRODUCTION

The City manages our Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds through the King County CDBG Consortium. When significant changes need to be made to a CDBG project, King County CDBG Consortium policy dictates that cities must complete a formal amendment process that includes holding a public hearing and Council action. An amendment to the 2008 CDBG projects is needed at this time.

BACKGROUND

On April 23, 2007 the City Council approved the reallocation of \$150,000 in unallocated CDBG funds to the 2007 Curb Ramp Program. Additionally, prior years' CDBG Curb Ramp funds were added to this amount, bringing the total amount available for the 2007 CDBG Curb Ramp program to \$190,585.

The 2007 Curb Ramp project was implemented as part of the City's Capital Improvement Program (CIP). Due to CDBG contracting issues with King County, work did not begin until spring of 2008. The project was completed in April of 2008 and included 4,732 square feet of sidewalk panel replacement and the installation of 19 new curb ramps. The construction came in under the budget of \$190,585 leaving \$54,163.50 of the CDBG funds remaining.

The Council approved the 2008 list of CDBG projects on September 10, 2007. Due to reductions at the federal level, there was less funding available for allocation. There was \$122,000 of funding allocated to the 2008 Curb Ramp project. In order to accomplish more sidewalk repair and curb ramps in 2008, we are recommending that the Council approve the amendment to use the remaining 2007 CDBG Curb Ramp funding, bringing the 2008 total to \$176,186.50. This change was already approved as part of the 2007-2008 budget carryover process that was approved by the City Council on April 14, 2008.

In summary, staff is asking Council to approve the following amendment to the 2008 CDBG projects:

- *Carry over 2007 CDBG Curb Ramp funds to 2008 CDBG Curb Ramp Funds.* This amendment would allocate remaining funds from the 2007 Curb Ramp project to the 2008 Curb Ramp Project. At the completion of the 2007 CDBG Curb Ramp project there are \$54,163.50 CDBG funds remaining, which will be applied to the 2008 CDBG program. The new total for the 2008 CDBG Curb Ramp project will be \$176,186.50.

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CITY OF SHORELINE
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AMENDMENT
PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Shoreline City Council will hold a public hearing on **Monday, July 28, 2008 at 8:00 p.m** to consider citizens' comments on a proposed Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) project amendment in the Mt. Rainier Room of the Shoreline Center at 18560 - 1st Ave NE, Shoreline, WA 98155.

The amendment is as follows:

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Written comments on the proposed CDBG project amendments will be accepted until the end of business on Friday, July 25, 2008 and may be forwarded to the following address: City of Shoreline, Attn: Rob Beem, 17544 Midvale Ave N, Shoreline, WA 98133. Additional information may also be obtained from the previous contact and address at (206) 801-2251, TTY (206) 546-0457. All interested persons are encouraged to attend the public hearing and provide written and/or oral comments.

Any person requiring special accessibility accommodations should contact the City Clerk's Office prior to the hearing at (206) 546-8919 for more information.

Affidavit of posting has been filed with the City Clerk for the Shoreline City Council.

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DATED this

Scott Passey, City Clerk

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