City Council Update

Greater Housing Opportunities

Year 2 Quarter 1 Update

FUNDING OUR FUTURE

What's New?

In September 2019, City Council released over $1.7 million dollars from a holding account to Housing and Neighborhood Development (HAND) for the implementation of nine programs in alignment with Growing SLC and Funding Our Future (FOF) priorities. Upon release of the funds, HAND opened the application process to the community which closed on September 29, 2019. Applications have been reviewed and scored by HAND staff. Projects and programs will be presented to the Mayor's office for review and consideration, then City Council will review the recommendations and appropriate funding. HAND will facilitate Council's appropriations via Funding Agreements with partner agencies. The goal is to have funding agreements in place by December 31, 2019. A new Census Coordinator and Planner have been hired. The RDA and CAN/HAND have developed a plan for administering funds for incentivizing development and preservation of affordable housing within Salt Lake City.

Program Updates:

Program	Program Description	What Has Happened	Outcomes	Next Steps	Total Budget	Budget Spent
Rent Assistance: House 20	Serves single men and women experiencing homelessness that have high interactions with emergency services and homeless service providers. Individuals appropriate for this program also have disabling conditions and other challenges that have resulted in high barriers to accessing permanent housing. Case management and supportive services continue once a person is housed and stabilized.	Total proposed Funding Our Future funding is $250,000; Council restored half of that amount immediately to maintain program continuity; the other half has been opened up to FY 19/20 Funding Our Future applicants.	Total Individuals Enrolled this quarter (July 1, 2019 to September 30, 2019): 19, Extremely Low Income (0-30% AMI): 19	Continue partnering with The Road Home, who leads The House 20 Partners Group. The group meets once a month to discuss new referrals into the program and provide updates on current program participants.	$250,000	$0
Rent Assistance: Shared Housing *(Shared Housing Opportunities)*	The Shared Housing Program provides landlord services, case management, roommate matching, and incentives for risk mitigation for individuals who are at or below 40% AMI and currently homeless.	On September 3, 2019 City Council released FY 19/20 FOF funds to HAND. The application process was opened with HAND receiving 16 applications for the various programs. The applications have been reviewed and scored by HAND staff for alignment with Growing SLC and FOF priorities and outcomes.	Individuals Housed: 0	Projects and programs to be presented to the Mayor for recommendation consideration. Mayor recommendations to be submitted to City Council for review/discussion and funding appropriation. HAND will facilitate Council's appropriations via Funding Agreements with partner agencies.	$100,000	$0
Land Discounts & Financing	To provide low cost financial assistance to incentivize the development and preservation of affordable housing within Salt Lake City. Requests for funding shall be presented to the Housing Trust Fund Board for recommendation and approval by the Agency Board of Directors. Funding shall be provided as gap financing to cover the difference between total development costs and the amount that can be secured from other funding sources.	Working within the legislative intent provided by City Council and RDA Board, plan includes administrative policies and procedures for 1) applicant eligibility, 2) project eligibility, 3) eligible uses of funding, 4) project prioritization, 5) income limits and affordability period requirements, 6) loan terms and conditions, 7) funding priorities, 8) evaluation and approval process, and 9) monitoring and compliance.	RDA and CAN/HAND developed a plan for administering funds. The RDA has developed program materials, including an application form and handbook.	RDA and CAN/HAND will begin to market the program and process applications once the plan for administering funds is finalized.	$2,590,000	$0

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Emergency Rent Assistance *(Incentived Rent Assistance Program)*	This program is designed as a homelessness prevention program that assists residents with rent assistance while overcoming a temporary financial crisis, at the same time provides supportive services and connection to community resources that ensures that participants are better prepared for future financial hardships.	On September 3, 2019 City Council released FY 19/20 FOF funds to HAND. The application process was opened with HAND receiving 16 applications for the various programs. The applications have been reviewed and scored by HAND staff for alignment with Growing SLC and FOF priorities and outcomes.	0	Projects and programs to be presented to the Mayor for recommendation consideration. Mayor recommendations to be submitted to City Council for review/discussion and funding appropriation. HAND will facilitate Council's appropriations via Funding Agreements with partner agencies.	$400,000	$0
Rent Assistance Targeted Populations *(Service Model Program for Most Vulnerable Populations)*	Funding gaps exist, which leave certain populations vulnerable and in need of assistance with housing. This program is intended to target families and individuals who are not eligible to receive rental assistance through any alternative funding streams.	On September 3, 2019 City Council released FY 19/20 FOF funds to HAND. The application process was opened with HAND receiving 16 applications for the various programs. The applications have been reviewed and scored by HAND staff for alignment with Growing SLC and FOF priorities and outcomes.	0	Projects and programs to be presented to the Mayor for recommendation consideration. Mayor recommendations to be submitted to City Council for review/discussion and funding appropriation. HAND will facilitate Council's appropriations.	$200,000	$0
Community Land Trust	The CLT seeks to make home ownership perpetually affordable regardless of market conditions. This is due to the fact that the land is owned by the land trust as opposed to the home owner. The CLT removes land cost which decreases the purchase price and thereby reduces the cost of the total mortgage price.	The FOF application process opened on September 13, 2019 and closed on September 29, 2019. Applications have been reviewed and scored by HAND staff for alignment with Growing SLC and FOF priorities and outcomes.	0	Projects and programs to be presented to the Mayor for recommendation consideration. Mayor recommendations to be submitted to City Council for review/discussion and funding appropriation. HAND will facilitate Council's appropriations.	$500,000	$0
Landlord Assurance & Incentive *(Landlord Insurance Pilot)*	The Landlord Assurance & Incentive Program is a program offering incentives to landlords willing to help individuals who need affordable housing.	On September 3, 2019 City Council released FY 19/20 FOF funds to HAND. The application process was opened with HAND receiving 16 applications for the various programs. The applications have been reviewed and scored by HAND staff for alignment with Growing SLC and FOF priorities and outcomes.	0	Projects and programs to be presented to the Mayor for recommendation consideration. Mayor recommendations to be submitted to City Council for review/discussion and funding appropriation. HAND will facilitate Council's appropriations.	$350,000	$0
Home Ownership Down Payment Assistance *(Down Payment Assistance)*	The Home Ownership Down Payment Assistance Program is a program offering down payment assistance to all income eligible Salt lake City residents. Due to rising housing costs, proposals include increasing a household's Area Median Income (AMI) from 80% to 100%. By increasing the AMI, home buyers making between 80% and 100% AMI can receive assistance to puchase a home.	On September 3, 2019 City Council released FY 19/20 FOF funds to HAND. The application process was opened with HAND receiving 16 applications for the various programs. The applications have been reviewed and scored by HAND staff for alignment with Growing SLC and FOF priorities and outcomes.	0	Projects and programs to be presented to the Mayor for recommendation consideration. Mayor recommendations to be submitted to City Council for review/discussion and funding appropriation. HAND will facilitate Council's appropriations.	$300,000	$0

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Prevent & Eliminate Housing Discrimination *(Build a More Equitable City)*	Working with community partners, Salt Lake City will identify ways to improve community education about rights and responsibilities of landlords and tenants.	On September 3, 2019 City Council released FY 19/20 FOF funds to HAND. The application process was opened with HAND receiving 16 applications for the various programs. The applications have been reviewed and scored by HAND staff for alignment with Growing SLC and FOF priorities and outcomes.	0	Projects and programs to be presented to the Mayor for recommendation consideration. Mayor recommendations to be submitted to City Council for review/discussion and funding appropriation. HAND will facilitate Council's appropriations.	$300,000	$0
Community Development Grant Coordination	Fund administrative costs for HAND staff to create and manage Funding Our Future Housing programs.	This critical position oversees the administration of HAND's Funding our Future allocation. This includes all aspects of the program including application, contracting, reporting, and processing payments.	Community Grant Administrator oversees implementation of programs that have funds appropriated by Funding Our Future.	Community Grant Administrator continues in same capacity.	$99,408	$0
Additional Planner	Hire one new planning position to manage the impacts related to overall infrastructure upgrades.	An additional Planning position was filled in January 2019 to address increases in workload and free up capacity to address housing related zoning issues.	The Planning Division has worked on and will continue to work on 4 housing related zoning changes (SROs, RMF-30, affordable housing overlay, Adaptive reuse ordinance).	Planner continues in same capacity.	$107,333	$0
Census Coordinator	Hire a census coordinator to prepare for 2020 Census and help gain an accurate count. Census data determines federal affordable housing and community development funding to the City.	Census Coordinator position was filled August 5, 2019. Established partnerships with Census Bureau & SL County, working together to host community town halls.	Organized & chairs SLC's Complete Count Committee. Developed website & marketing materials to address undercounted populations.	Continue to develop partnerships. Coordinating Census Day event. Focusing on community outreach targeting the westside neighborhoods. Developing a Census 101 training for City employees on how to talk about the census in a meaningful way.	$80,000	$20,000
Totals:					$5,276,741	$20,000