

# CITY OF HIGH POINT

## AGENDA ITEM



**Title:** Adoption of the 2017-18 Annual Action Plan

**From:** Michael E. McNair, Director

**Public Hearing:** No

**Attachments:** Draft of 2017-18 Annual Action Plan

**Meeting Date:** May 1, 2017

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### **PURPOSE:**

The Community Development and Housing Department (CD&H) has completed necessary activities for preparation and submission of the 2017-18 Annual Action Plan. The final step prior to submission to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is Council approval. The current draft of the full document can be seen at:

<https://www.highpointnc.gov/DocumentCenter/Home/View/7129>

### **BACKGROUND:**

HUD awards grants to eligible community grantees to carry out a wide range of community development activities directed toward revitalizing neighborhoods, affordable housing, economic development, and providing improved community facilities and services. High Point is required to submit an annual action plan to HUD in order to receive Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) funds.

### **BUDGET IMPACT:**

The federal government is currently being funded by a continuing resolution (CR), passed in December 2016, through April 28, 2017; this maintains all funding at prior year levels. However, since budget levels can't be forecast beyond the CR, the City hasn't received any correspondence from HUD regarding allocations for the 2017-18 program year. Considering this uncertainty, staff prepared a plan projecting a 10% reduction of federal funds from the prior year (2016-17). Federal regulations require that the City prepares a plan and submits it for approval no later than May 15, 2017. As of this writing, it is highly unlikely that the City will receive written notification on HUD allocations before the submission date. Therefore, we will anticipate amending the 2017-18 annual action plan to reflect the allocation notice before HUD will approve the action plan. This could delay the start of programs, projects and activities scheduled to commence July 1, 2017.

### **RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:**

The Community Development and Housing Department recommends approval of the 2017-18 Annual Action Plan and that the appropriate City official and/or employee be authorized to execute all necessary documents.