City of Bellevue Parks & Community Services Department



MEMORANDUM

Date: October 23, 2019

To: Mayor Chelminiak and City Councilmembers

From: Judith Mercer, Chair, Human Services Commission

Subject: 2020 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding Recommendations

The Human Services Commission has completed its work reviewing and recommending grant awards for applications that were submitted for 2020 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. I look forward to presenting our recommendations to you at your Study Session on October 28, 2019.

The Human Services Commission made their 2020 CDBG funding recommendations based on an estimate of the City's 2020 entitlement amount and projected program income from home repair loan paybacks. The detailed recommendations are in Attachment B. Because the exact CDBG budget will not be known until sometime in 2020, the Commission's recommendations include a Contingency Plan (Attachment C) outlining how an increase or decrease in funding would be allocated. The 2020 entitlement amount is expected to be similar to 2019.

Six applications were received for projects that benefit mostly low and moderate-income residents of Bellevue, including applications for planning and administration of CDBG funds. The Commission reviewed the applications at their July 2 meeting and held a public hearing on the preliminary funding recommendations on July 16. The Contingency Plan was approved on September 4.

We wish to thank the City Council for recognizing the need to build the housing and human service infrastructure in Bellevue and preserve the community safety net. Thank you for your support of human services in the past, and we appreciate your continued support.

cc: Human Services Commission Shelley McVein, Acting Director, Parks & Community Services Toni Esparza, Assistant Director, Parks & Community Services Alex O'Reilly, Manager, Human Services Division