

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

Ordinance 1) authorizing execution of an interagency agreement with the Washington State Department of Commerce to accept \$173,748 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV2) funding for projects to prepare for, prevent or respond to the coronavirus; 2) amending the 2021-2022 Operating Grants and Donations Fund to increase the appropriation by \$173,748; and 3) authorizing the City Manager or his designee to enter into agreements with grant subrecipients recommended by the Human Services Commission to expend grant funds.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This Ordinance authorizes the execution of an interagency agreement with the Washington State Department of Commerce to accept \$173,748 in Community Development Block Grant funding for grants to prevent, prepare for or respond to the coronavirus (referred to as CDBG-CV2) and adopts the Human Services Commission's funding recommendations as outlined in Attachment A.

RECOMMENDATION

Move to adopt Ordinance No. 6611

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

On March 27, 2020, the U.S. Congress allocated \$5 billion in supplemental Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act). These funds, known as CDBG-CV, must be used to prevent, prepare for, or respond to the coronavirus. The funds were allocated by the Department of Housing and Community Development (HUD) in three tranches:

CDBG-CV1: Bellevue received \$489,623 in 2020.

CDBG-CV2: Funds were allocated to the states, giving them the option to allocate the funds as a pass-through entity to direct entitlement cities.

CDBG-CV3: Bellevue received \$897,239 in 2021.

In March, the City was notified by the Washington State Department of Commerce (Commerce) that it would be eligible to receive a grant of \$173,748 in CDBG-CV2 funds. The purpose of these funds is to increase services currently being funded with CDBG-CV dollars to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus in partnership with local providers to provide new and increased services to stabilize eligible households impacted by COVID-19.

At their April 6 meeting, the Human Services Commission reviewed the ongoing needs caused by the pandemic. Within the services currently being funded with CDBG-CV dollars, affordable childcare that allows parents to work continued to be a top need. Food assistance was also an urgent need because

many families were forced to take money from their food budget to pay their rent. The Commission recommended that the following projects receive CDBG-CV2 funding and applied for the grant:

Agency & Program	Original CV Funding	Additional CV2 Funding	Total CV Funding
Child Care Resources Subsidized Child Care	\$100,000	\$121,624	\$221,624
YMCA of Greater Seattle Contactless Food Box Delivery to Bellevue KCHA Properties	\$100,000	\$52,124	\$152,124

On June 1, the City was notified by Commerce that it was awarded the grant of \$173,748 in CDBG-CV2 funding to make funds available to the YMCA of Greater Seattle and Child Care Resources as a grant subrecipients. On September 17, the City received the Interagency Grant Agreement from Commerce.

POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS

Policy Impact

Bellevue City Code 4.28.200 requires Council approval to execute grant agreements in excess of \$90,000.

Recommendations for acceptance and use of the CDBG-CV2 funds are supported by the following goals and policies of the City of Bellevue Comprehensive Plan, Human Services Element:

Human Services Vision: Bellevue is a community that cares. Every member of the community has the opportunity to achieve their potential and enhance their quality of life. A system of human services assists people in times of need and invests in the development of healthy individuals and families.

HS-8. Make Bellevue a welcoming, safe and just community marked by fairness and equity provided to those disproportionately affected by poverty, discrimination and victimization.

HS-12. Support and actively coordinate with local, regional, and national efforts that address local human services needs to ensure local programs complement programs provided at the county, state and federal level.

Fiscal Impact

This action will 1) authorize execution of an interagency agreement with the Washington State Department of Commerce to accept \$173,748 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV2) funding for projects to prepare for, prevent or respond to the coronavirus; 2) amend the 2021-2022 Operating Grants and Donations Fund to increase the appropriation by \$173,748; and 3) authorize the City Manager or his designee to enter into agreements with grant subrecipients.

OPTIONS

1. Adopt the Ordinance 1) authorizing execution of an interagency agreement with the Washington State Department of Commerce to accept \$173,748 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV2) funding for projects to prepare for, prevent or respond to the coronavirus; 2) amending the 2021-2022 Operating Grants and Donations Fund to increase the appropriation by

\$173,748; and 3) authorizing the City Manager or his designee to enter into agreements with grant subrecipients recommended by the Human Services Commission to expend grant funds.

2. Do not adopt the Ordinance and provide alternative direction to staff.

ATTACHMENTS & AVAILABLE DOCUMENTS

A. Human Services Commission recommendations for CDBG-CV2 funding
Proposed Ordinance No. 6611

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Interagency Grant Agreement