



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to adopt resolution authorizing the Assistant Executive Director and the Deputy Executive Director to execute all documents necessary to conduct a public hearing to review the proposed 2019 Annual Plan, receive supporting documentation into the record, conclude the hearing, and adopt resolution to certify the Annual Plan. (Citywide)

This hearing is to review and adopt a new revised Annual Housing Plan (Exhibit A to Resolution), as required by Section 511 of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998.

In 1998, Congress enacted legislation known as the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act, requiring each Housing Authority to complete an Annual Plan and to update and submit them to HUD prior to the beginning of the Housing Authority's fiscal year. The Housing Authority initially approved its first Plans in June 2000, and has subsequently submitted Annual Plans to HUD on an annual basis.

The 2019 Annual Plan provides details about the Housing Authority's immediate operations, programs, and services, and is updated annually. The Annual Plan also addresses the Housing Authority's strategy for handling operational concerns, as well as residents' concerns and needs. Please note that staff is not recommending any major changes to the administration of the Housing Authority's affordable housing programs at this time. However, we are currently in the process of implementing a new project-based voucher development: Anchor Place, a community operated by Century Villages on the west side of Long Beach.

The Housing Authority will continue to review new requests for project-based voucher usage for housing special needs populations, as identified in the City's Consolidated Plan and Housing Element, as funding allows. As proposed in the Five-Year Plan, the Housing Authority will also revise and update the Administrative Plan to concur with all HUD Housing Federal Regulations.

HUD regulations require that a Resident Advisory Board (RAB) be established to provide input regarding the creation and amendment of these Plans. This year, that requirement was met by inviting Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) participants to take part in the RAB. The forum was held on April 11, 2018, and the RAB consisted of tenants of all ages, from different ethnicities and backgrounds, and reflected the Housing Authority's diverse clientele. The group was able to provide thoughtful feedback on the Section 8 HCV program, and their recommendations and insights have been considered and addressed in the Plans prepared by staff. The draft Plans have been available for review by the public on the website, www.haclb.org <<http://www.haclb.org>>, at all Long Beach Public Libraries and at the Housing Authority, located at 521 E. 4th Street, LB, CA 90802.

The attached Resolution updates and accompanies the 2019 Annual Plan for submission to HUD.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda T. Vu on June 15, 2018 and by Revenue Management Officer Geraldine Alejo on June 21, 2018.

Housing Authority Commission action is requested on July 10, 2018, as the Plans must be submitted to HUD no later than 75 days prior to the beginning of the Housing Authority's fiscal year.

There is no fiscal or local job impact associated with this recommendation.

Approve recommendation.

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ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

APPROVED:

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