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SUBJECT: Duluth Community Development Committee makes recommendations for \$2.8 million in HUD funding, public hearing set for November 28th

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**Duluth Community Development Committee makes recommendations for \$2.8 million in HUD funding;
public hearing set for November 28th**

[Duluth, MN] – The City of Duluth’s Community Development Committee will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, November 28, 2017 at 5:30 pm, in Duluth City Hall, Council Chambers located on the 3rd floor, to discuss the 2018 Community Development program, which anticipates distributing approximately \$2.8 million dollars in U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funding. The public is invited to attend and will have the opportunity to address the committee and provide input on the recommendations. Keith Hamre, Director of Planning and Construction Services stated, “Residents are encouraged to provide input to help ensure that this funding is directed towards the greatest needs in Duluth.”

The City anticipates it will receive approximately \$2.8 million from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to assist people with low and moderate incomes (up to \$53,750 for a family of four) and serve neighborhoods where a majority of low and moderate income people reside. Funding recommendations include programs for rental and homeowner housing, job training, business growth, neighborhood facility improvements, homeless services, and other public services. FY 2018 HUD funding is subject to approval of the FY 2018 federal budget, and requires further action by the U.S. Congress and President Trump.

The funding is part of three funding sources from HUD: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG).

The preliminary funding recommendations, which include proposed funding recipients and dollar amounts, can be found online at: <http://www.duluthmn.gov/community-planning/community-development-funding/community-development-program/#2018> Final funding recommendations will be presented to the Duluth City Council for approval.

If you have questions, please contact Adam Fulton, Community Planning Manager, at afulton@duluthmn.gov or 218-730-5325.

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