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The Mayor and City Council shall hear public comment regarding the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds expected to be in the amount of \$265,000.

This portion of the meeting will serve as a public hearing and the required Second Public Meeting to gain input on possible uses for the CDBG Regional Allocation Funding. The Mayor and City Council will hear a presentation from the Economic Development Department on the four projects brought forward at the First Public Meeting on May 2, 2017. The potential CDBG projects are named and described as follows:

- 1. Heritage District Flood Mitigation Study: \$260,000 for a comprehensive flood mitigation study designed to identify incremental steps to remove portions of the Heritage District Redevelopment Area from the 100-year floodplain. The study will identify possible funding sources and may identify areas that can be removed from the floodplain upon completion of the study. Removal of property from the floodplain will lower costs for redevelopment and improve public safety in the Heritage District consisting of approximately 1,500 residents, 76% of which are below Area Median Income.
- 2. Taft Avenue Right of Way Acquistion: \$200,000 to complete half-street improvements along Taft Avenue, immediately east from Maricopa High School, south of Edwards Avenue and north of Honeycutt Avenue. The project lies within the Heritage District Redevelopment Area with approximately 1,500 residents, 76% of which are below Area Median Income.
- 3. Edwards Avenue Pedestrian Improvements: \$250,000 to complete half street improvements along Edwards Avenue immediately east of SR 347, south of Union Pacific Railroad and north of Maricopa High School. The project lies within the Heritage District Redevelopment Area with approximately 1,500 residents, 76% of which are below Area Median Income.
- 4. F.O.R. Maricopa Food Bank Permanent Location: \$260,000 to partially fund a permanent location for the Maricopa Community Food Bank. Food Bank recipients sign a document stating the family meets federal poverty guidelines.

It is expected that the City Council will select the final project after this hearing and adopt applicable resolutions.

Staff recommends hearing public comment regarding the use of the CDBG Regional Allocation Funding.