

**PUBLIC HEARING #4**

**October 26, 2004**

Public Hearing on Draft Consolidated Plan for 2005 - 2009 and final hearing on proposed Community Development Block Grant projects for FY 2005 funding process.

Minutes from October 26, 2004 public hearing are attached

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## PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

On Tuesday, October 26, 2004, the City of Longmont will hold a Public Hearing in order to obtain the views of citizens, public agencies and other interested parties on the draft Five Year Consolidated Plan and on the proposed FY 2005 Action Plan. This hearing is part of the process through which the City will gather input for the Consolidated Plan, required for receipt of Federal Community Development Block Grant funds.

The hearing will be held:  
**Tuesday, October 26, 2004**  
Council Chambers  
Longmont Civic Center Complex  
350 Kimbark Street  
Longmont, CO. 80501  
7:00 p.m.

Notice is hereby given that the City of Longmont, Colorado has completed its draft Five Year Consolidated Plan report, covering the period from January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2009 for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Community Development Block Grant Program.

Said report is on file at the City of Longmont CDBG Office, Civic Center Complex, 350 Kimbark Street, Longmont, Colorado 80501. The report is available for citizen review and comment for a period of 30 days from October 1 to October 31, 2004 at the above address between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., at the Longmont Public Library located at 4th Avenue and Emery Street, at the Longmont Senior Center located at 910 Longs Peak Avenue and at the Longmont Housing Authority located at 900 Coffman Street, Suite C.

## SUMMARY OF CONSOLIDATED PLAN

The City is now in the process of soliciting comments on the Draft 2005 - 2009 Consolidated Plan report of which citizen participation is a key element. Citizen involvement will help in shaping program strategies, priorities and other major components of the Consolidated Plan report. There are five major components of the Consolidated Plan report:

**Housing and Homeless Needs Assessment**  
This chapter estimates housing needs for extremely low, very low, low, and moderate income households in Longmont. It further explores the housing needs for special populations, such as elderly, disabled, youth at risk, victims of domestic violence, mentally and chronically mentally ill, people with HIV/AIDS, and farm worker households. Also, housing needs as related to minorities in Longmont are identified.

**Market and Inventory Analysis**  
This chapter gives an overview of the housing market in Longmont. The chapter generally describes the housing market, including supply, demand, condition and cost of housing. It recognizes that population growth has increased significantly since the 1990 census (almost 38%). 32% of the population is in the 25 to 44 age range, which is significant in terms of homeownership potential and trading up in the housing market. This chapter shows Longmont as a desirable community for homeownership opportunities with 65% owners and 35% renters.

It states that existing housing conditions are generally good, but some neighborhood revitalization is needed. The east old town and south central areas have the largest share of housing in need of repair. Assisted existing housing in Longmont is provided primarily through the private sector utilizing Section 8 subsidies. The primary program to help low income households locate dispersed housing opportunities is through the Section 8 program administered by the Longmont Housing Authority.

**Strategic Plan**  
This chapter establishes goals and priorities for assisting extremely low, very low, low and moderate income families in the ensuing years including the number of affordable rental and owner opportunities to be provided. It discusses a plan for assisting the homeless, and other special needs as well as examines non-housing community needs. This chapter addresses barriers to affordable housing, lead-based paint hazards, an anti-poverty strategy, and coordination in developing a successful strategy to fulfill housing needs of low income.

**Action Plan**  
This last chapter discusses housing resources and identifies resources needed and anticipated to be available to implement the strategy. The document identifies federal and non-federal resources used for implementation. Resources to implement the Consolidated Plan include both public and private resources. Public resources are the CDBG program primarily, the City's Affordable Housing Fund, and possible State Division of Housing funding available on a project by project basis. This chapter also examines the geographical distribution of resources and activities to be undertaken in the next year to address priority needs in terms of local objectives. It also describes activities planned with respect to CDBG funding in the next year.

The following is a summary of the activities planned for FY 2005. Because congress has not yet acted on the appropriations bill for 2005, the total amount of planned funds is based on an estimate from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The box below shows where additional grant funds, if received, would be allocated.

Agency/Organization/Program	Project	CDBG Amount
1. Residential Rehab	Housing Rehabilitation	\$200,000
	Architectural Barrier Removal	\$50,000
	Emergency Grant Program	\$20,000
2. Down Payment Assistance	Paint-A-Thon Program	\$10,000
	Estimated Program Income	\$45,000
3. Foreclosure Prevention	Recapitalization of Program	\$10,000
	Construction of Housing for Disabled	\$54,560
4. Accessible Spaces, Inc./CPWD	Homeownership Training	\$10,000
5. Boulder County Housing Counseling Program		
6. Center for People with Disabilities	Rental Deposit Funding	\$10,000
7. Foothills United Way	Individual Development Account Program	\$15,000
8. Inn Between, Inc.	Rehab of Transitional Housing Units	\$72,000
	Design of Rental Rehab Program	\$5,000
9. Longmont Housing Development Corporation		
10. Casa de la Esperanza	Improvements to Community Area	\$10,000
11. Longmont Downtown Development Authority	Commercial Revitalization (Est. program income)	\$12,000
12. OUR Center	Upgrades to Hospitality Center Kitchen	\$10,000
Administration	General Administration	\$116,640
	Project Cost Overruns	\$0
<b>Total CDBG Project Funding</b>		<b>\$450,200</b>
<b>Total estimated 2005 Grant:</b>		<b>\$583,200</b>
<b>Total 2005 Estimated Program Income:</b>		<b>\$ 67,000</b>
<b>Total Program Income Received in 2004</b>		<b>\$0</b>
<b>And not yet reported:</b>		<b>\$0</b>
<b>Total Grant Plus Program Income:</b>		<b>\$650,200</b>
<b>Recommendations for Additional Funding:</b>		
1. Up to \$51,840 in additional funds could be allocated for this project if extra grant funds are received.		
2. Up to \$12,960 in additional funds could be allocated for this project if extra grant funds are received.		
<b>Would bring total up to \$725,000</b>		

If you have a disability or are non-English speaking and require accommodations to participate in this public meeting, please contact the Longmont Community Development Block Grant Office as early as possible at (303) 774-4339. A minimum of three working days prior to the public hearing would be appreciated so that reasonable accommodations can be made.

Children are welcome to attend with their parents. Written comments can also be sent to the CDBG Office at the Civic Center Complex, 350 Kimbark Street, Longmont, CO 80501. For more information, call the CDBG Office at (303) 774-4339. Para información en Español, llame Enrique a 303-774-4445.



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#### September -

#### 10/01/04 - Wildlife Management Plan

The public is invited to review and offer comments on the City's draft of a **Wildlife Management Plan** during a public meeting/open house on **Wednesday, October 6, from 6-8 p.m. in the Library Community Room, 409 4 th Avenue.** An executive nary is available at

[www.ci.longmont.co.us/open\\_space/wildlife\\_mgmt\\_plan.htm](http://www.ci.longmont.co.us/open_space/wildlife_mgmt_plan.htm). There will be a short presentation, after which the public is invited to browse the display boards and maps, and make comments. City staff and consultants will be on hand to answer questions and gather feedback. If you cannot attend the meeting, comments can be made by submitting a form in the comment box at the Library, on-line, by phone, 303-774-4691, or by sending an email to [\\_\\_\\_\\_\\_@ci.longmont.co.us](mailto:_____@ci.longmont.co.us).

#### 10/01/04 - Taste of Therapy Fair

**Don't miss this opportunity to treat yourself to a variety of Alternative Wellness Options.** Try Massage, Acupuncture, Reflexology and more! Appointments are 15 minutes in length, \$5 and taken at the fairs on a first come basis, so arrive early! Join October 9 at Izaak Walton Clubhouse, 18 S. Sunset from 10:00-1:00p.m. For information, please call Recreation Services at 303-651-8404.

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**the hot tub is used. That's when you want the water at a desired temperature.** Only heating it during the periods when you'll actually be using it is an excellent way to reduce hot tub operating costs. Instead of maintaining a constant temperature, set the heater timer to come on 20 minutes before you actually use it and turn the heaters off when you are finished. This energy saving tip is brought to you by Longmont Power & Communications in recognition of Public Power Week, October 3 - 9.



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### **10/01/04 - Parent's Night at the Recreation Center**

**Mom's and Dad's take the night off and let the kids, ages 5-11 years hang out with the Recreation staff on Friday nights.** Sign up for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month from 6-11p.m. for a fun night of supervised activities. Swimming, games, pizza and a movie is all included in the \$10 per child fee. Call early at 303-774-4800 and sign up - limited space is available.

### **09/30/04 - The City completed its draft Consolidated Plan For City's Housing Needs**

The City completed its draft Consolidated Plan and is seeking comments and feedback. This Plan includes a 5 year assessment of the city's housing needs and its Plan to meet those needs given current funding resources. Please check out the **Executive Summary** ([cp\\_execsum.pdf](#)) and give us feedback by completing the on-line **Survey**. Comments and surveys are due back by October 29. There will be a public hearing on this issue on October 26 at 7 pm in the Council Chambers if you would like to comment in person. You can also call Kathy Fedler, CDBG Coordinator at (303) 651-8736 to comment or to ask questions.

### **09/24/04 - Housing and Community Improvement Projects Proposed for Funding**

The Human Relations Commission will be presenting its recommendations for funding housing and community improvements projects using both the Community Development Block Grant Program and the Affordable Housing Fund to Council on Tuesday, September 28 at 7 p.m. If you would like to find out more about what is being recommended for funding, attend the above Public Meeting, call Kathy Fedler at 303-651-8736 or visit the [city's website](#).

### **09/24/04 - City Talk Board Vacancies End of Year 2004 Recruitment**

**City Council is accepting applications for vacancies for a variety of boards, committees, and commissions.** All applicants

Mayor Pirnack opened a public hearing on this item. There being no one present to address Council on this issue, the public hearing was closed.

**Council member Winger moved, seconded by Lange, to adopt Ordinance of O-2004-79 on second reading. Motion carried: 7-0.**

**G. O-2004-80, Public Hearing and Second Reading of a Bill for an Ordinance Amending Section 2.32.060 of the Longmont Municipal Code to Adopt an Updated and Amended Longmont Area Comprehensive Plan**

Karen Roney, Acting City Manager, read the title of the ordinance into the record. There was no formal staff presentation on this item.

Mayor Pirnack opened a public hearing on this item. There being no one present to address Council on this issue, the public hearing was closed.

**Council member Winger moved, seconded by Lange, to adopt Ordinance O-2004-80 on second reading. Motion carried: 7-0.**

**H. O-2004-81, Public Hearing and Second Reading of a Bill for an Ordinance Amending Title 4, Chapter 4.60, of the Longmont Municipal Code on Golf Fees**

Karen Roney, Acting City Manager, read the title of the ordinance into the record. There was no formal staff presentation on this item.

Mayor Pirnack opened a public hearing on this item. There being no one present to address Council on this issue, the public hearing was closed.

**Council member McCoy moved, seconded by Lange, to adopt Ordinance O-2004-81 on second reading. Motion carried: 7-0.**

**I. Review and Authorize Submission to Housing and Urban Development of the 2005-2009 Consolidated Plan and the 2005 One-Year Community Development Block Grant Action Plan**

Karen Roney, Acting City Manger, read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Kathy Fedler, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Coordinator, presented the item. She indicated this was the final public hearing on the proposed five-year 2005-2009 consolidated plan and one-year action plan for the 2005 Community Development Block Grant funding. She pointed out that the executive summary attached to the Council communication includes a summary of citizen's involvement, housing and homeless needs assessment, housing market analysis, a strategic plan for the five year period, and the one-year action plan for 2005. Ms. Fedler reviewed the existing, new, and proposed programs and projects that are prioritized for action over the next five years as outlined

in the Council communication. She pointed out the homeless population in Longmont has increased 178% over the last four years, partly as a result of better counting of individuals during the point and time survey. Ms. Fedler noted that the executive summary and consolidated plan also include the proposed one-year action plan for 2005. CDBG is prioritizing approximately \$650,200 dollars of estimated CDBG funding and program income. It can fund up to \$725,000 if more grant money is received. She indicated that a requirement of the final public hearing on the consolidated plan is to discuss past performance, and she reviewed the information outlined in the Council communication. Ms. Fedler expressed her appreciation to the members of the Human Relations Commission and Technical Review Group for their hard work on behalf of the CDBG program. Also, she noted that staff received great input from the community via the community forum held in June, 2004, the Human Service Agency focus group, the survey on the City's website, and the mail survey of over 900 renters in the community.

Responding to Council's questions Ms. Fedler stated that, according to the last survey done in January, 2004, approximately 565 total individuals were homeless. The majority of the homeless were families with children, often doubled up with other families. She stated that many individuals cannot leave the Inn Between since there is insufficient affordable housing or move-in vouchers available. Thirty percent of the homeless individuals surveyed in January are working part time or full time.

Responding to Council's question about lead based abatement, Ms. Fedler indicated the program is funded by the housing rehabilitation program.

Council member Brown asked about the root cause of poverty in Longmont and asked if poverty is increasing faster than the average population? He stated his concern that Longmont does not have a unified economic study and that the City is not assisting the people it should be with available dollars.

Responding to Council's questions, Ms. Fedler stated that 42 families purchased homes, 20 through the Down Payment Assistance Program and 22 through the Community Housing Program. In addition, three families purchased homes through the Habitat for Humanity program.

Responding to Council's question about the retention rate, Ms. Fedler indicated that the retention rate has been low for the number of loans currently issued. With the assistance of an intern, a survey of the community housing and the down payment assistance program is being conducted. Survey questions include, "Are you better off now than in the neighborhood you were in before," "Do you feel you have had an improvement in your life," and "Are you successful and what you would need to be successful." Also included were attitudes between the neighborhoods and an assessment of the level of safety and security. Ms. Fedler indicated the survey will provide a comprehensive evaluation of the community housing program and down payment assistance program. It will be finalized in May or June of 2005.

Responding to Council's questions Ms. Fedler stated that the Longmont Housing Opportunities team is a community stakeholder group concerned about homeless issues, especially preventing homelessness, as well as dealing with the current situation. The team has explored the housing first model as an approach to ending homelessness. Ms. Fedler outlined upcoming milestones: prepare a plan to implement the housing first model within the next six to eight months, explore the need for a

day shelter, create a first response team to ensure homeless are protected from the elements, and explore community education, outreach, and fundraising.

Ms. Fedler stated that there are several safeguards in place to ensure that funds are spent according to the requirements of the program. She explained that funds are not released until the project is under way to ensure compliance with the requirements. Projects are monitored to ensure they are eligible and meet the criteria. There is also financial and records monitoring. Final monitoring ensures the recipients that were suppose to be benefited were indeed benefited, and that the project meets the criteria of the CDBG program. All non profit and other government agencies that are funded must include those funds in their audits and provide the City with copies of those records. Finally, a beneficiary report must be returned to CDBG at the end of the project to ensure it meets all of the CDGB requirements.

Council member Block stated it is beyond the purview of the Council to explore the root causes of social issues in this country. He stated that if Council is interested in that effort it needs to fund the research.

Mayor Pirnack suggested adding the homeless issue as an item of discussion for the retreat topics Council will consider.

Mayor Pirnack opened a public hearing on this item. There being no one present to address Council on this issue, the public hearing was closed.

**Council member Winger moved, seconded by Block, to authorize submission of the 2005-2009 Consolidated Plan and the 2005 One Year Community Development Block Grant Action Plan to Housing and Urban Development. Motion carried: 7-0.**

## **8. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

- 6A. O-2004-82, A Bill for an Ordinance Conditionally Approving the Elmore Annexation (Generally Located at the Southeast Corner of Highway 66 and Sundance Drive), and Zoning the Property PUD-R (Planned Unit Development-Residential)**

Karen Roney, Acting City Manager, indicated staff is present to answer any questions on this ordinance.

Council member Wilson indicated he wants to ensure Council has obtained what it is looking for in the annexation agreement, especially the traffic mitigation.

Council member McCoy indicated he would like to hear from the applicant what timeframe is envisioned for traffic mitigation, such as a roundabout along Sundance or the Provenance neighborhood area. He asked whether the applicant's timeframe is what the neighborhood feels the timeframe should be.

Council member Lange asked if the City and neighborhood concurred with the letter written to Council by Mr. Boschert outlining the items he is proposing to mitigate traffic.