PUBLIC NOTICE

In accordance with 24 CFR 91.105(c)(2), and broader federal regulations relative to adoption of expedited citizen participation for U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Planning and Development Programs, together with applicable waivers and alternative requirements to said regulations through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), the City of Saint Paul (City) is making substantial amendment to the City's Consolidated Plan Annual Action Plans for program years 2019 and 2020 available to the public through this notice.

Public Comment Period and Process:

Using the expedited Citizen Participation Process, the Consolidated Plan Annual Action Plan amendment is available for a 5-day public review and comment period from October 17, 2020 to October 22, 2020. Citizens wishing to submit written comments during the public review and comment period may mail them, postmarked no later than October 22, 2020, to the following:

City of Saint Paul
Julie Hostak, Grants Specialist

Department of Planning and Economic Development, Grants Administration
1100 City Hall Annex
25 West Fourth Street
Saint Paul, MN 55102

Comments may also be emailed no later than October 22, 2020, to Ms. Julie Hostak at <u>Julie.Hostak@ci.stpaul.mn.us</u> or provide comment through a phone call/voice mail at (651) 266-8545.

Substantial Amendment:

This substantial amendment incorporates a change to program year 2019 Consolidated Plan Annual Action Plan for the City to utilize the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) program waiver from HUD made available through the CARES Act to increase its administrative cap to 25 percent of its annual formula allocation. This waiver will result in an increase in 2019 administrative funding and a decrease in project funding of \$262,208.70, respectively. The net changes will result in total HOME administrative funding of \$537,248.69 (project number 10, Administrative and Planning) and total HOME project funding of \$2,213,151.30, for project number 8 - Housing Construction and goal number 8, Development of New Housing.

This waiver will also be used to amend the 2020 Consolidated Plan Annual Action Plan and will result in an increase in 2020 administrative funding and a decrease in project funding of \$284,395.80, respectively. The net changes will result in total HOME administrative funding of \$584,068.80 (project number 12, Administrative and Planning) and total HOME project funding of \$2,412,661.20, for project number 6 - Housing Construction and goal number 2, Development of New Housing.

Public notices regarding future substantial amendments to the Consolidated Plan Annual Action Plans will be printed in a local newspaper of general circulation and posted online on the City's website at https://www.stpaul.gov/conplan.

Background on the Consolidated Plan:

The Consolidated Plan and associated Annual Action Plans describe the housing and community development needs, as well as activities to address those needs through the City's programs, as defined and funded by HUD. As required by HUD, the Consolidated Plan brings together, in one (1) consolidated submission, the planning and application aspects of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) programs. More information on the Consolidated Plan is available on the City's website at https://www.stpaul.gov/conplan.