



CITY OF WHEATLAND

CITY COUNCIL MEETING STAFF REPORT

April 14, 2020

SUBJECT: The City of Wheatland staff requests City Council adopt the attached resolution and provide direction to staff to submit an application to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for the Local Early Action Planning (LEAP) Grants Program.

PREPARED BY: Tim Raney, Community Development Director

Recommendation

The City of Wheatland staff requests City Council adopt the attached resolution and provide direction to staff to submit an application to HCD for the LEAP Grants Program.

Discussion and Background

HCD is currently accepting applications for the LEAP Grants Program. The LEAP Grants Program set aside approximately \$119 million dollars to provide funding to jurisdictions for the preparation and adoption of planning documents, process improvements that accelerate housing production, and facilitate compliance in implementing the 6th cycle of the regional housing need assessment. HCD has determined maximum award amounts for large, medium, and small localities, based on population. Based on population size, the City of Wheatland qualifies for a \$65,000 grant award. It should be noted that this is a non-competitive, over the counter, grant opportunity that does not require a local match to receive the funds. Final grant applications due date is July 1, 2020.

City Planning staff is recommending using the LEAP grant funds for the preparation of the 6th Cycle (2021-2029) Housing Element.

On November 21, 2019, the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) adopted the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) for the 6th Cycle mandating the City of Wheatland provide sufficient zoned land for 499 residential units, consisting of 232 above moderate, 98 moderate, 64 low, and 105 very low income units for the 6th Cycle. The 6th Cycle (2021-2029) Housing Element Update must be adopted by September 28, 2021.

Recommendation

The City of Wheatland staff requests City Council adopt the attached resolution and provide direction to staff to submit an application to HCD for the preparation of the 6th Cycle Housing Element for the LEAP Grants Program

Fiscal Impact

None. No local match is required to receive the grant funds

Attachments

1. LEAP Grants Program City Council Resolution