

PUBLICATION DATES: February 01, 2021

**CITY OF NEW ROCHELLE  
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE  
and 7-day Public Comment Period  
to Substantially Amend the  
2018-2022 Consolidated Plans,  
2019 Annual Action Plan and Budget  
RE: Repurpose of CDBG-CV Allocation**

NOTICE is hereby given that the Council for the City of New Rochelle, New York will hold a Public Hearing on **Tuesday, February 09, 2021** at 7:00 pm in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 515 North Avenue regarding CDBG funding received under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) ACT.

Under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) ACT, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has allocated to the City of New Rochelle Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) funds totaling \$1,665,912 to be used towards preventing, preparing for and responding to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic. The first set of funds, totaling \$853,167, were awarded in April 2020, originally adopted by City Council in May 2020 and reallocated in November 2020. The second set of funds, totaling \$812,745, were awarded in September 2020 and adopted by City Council in November 2020.

In accordance with the City's Citizen Participation Plan, as required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), program amendments as a result of a change to the purpose, scope, location or beneficiary of an activity requires an amendment.

Due to the urgency of the COVID-19 pandemic, HUD has issued a waiver to 24 CFR 91.105(c)(2) and (k), 91.115(c)(2) and (i) and 24 CFR 91.401 that allows for an expedited comment period; therefore, instead of the normally required thirty (30) day comment and display period, HUD is allowing for this period to be reduced to no less than five (5) days.

The City is proposing to amend its 2018-2022 Five-year Consolidated Plans (ConPlan) and 2019 Annual Action Plan and Budget as follows:

- Repurpose \$895,504.50 initially allocated to microenterprise grants, trash receptacles and bridging the digital divide to fund COVID-19 testing, transportation services, public facility enhancements including ADA compliance and public service programs that are focused on dealing with, but not limited to, food insufficiencies and counseling services.
- Repurpose FY2019 HOME Planning & Administration Funds totaling \$57,014, originally reallocated from CHDO Reserves to HOME Planning & Administration, to the 2019 TBRA Program

A seven (7) day public comment period will extend from **February 4, 2021** through **February 10, 2021**. After the close of public comment period, the City Council is expected to act on the proposal and authorize submission of the amended plans and budget at the regular legislative meeting on **February 16, 2021**.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 public health crisis the City Council will not be able to accommodate any in-person public attendance or participation for Citizens to be Heard or Public Hearings. Citizens to be Heard and Public Hearings will be broadcast live on the City's website and cable public access channel on television (Optimum Channel 75 / Verizon Channel 28). In addition, the City Council will allow the public

to provide oral comments in real time via telephone or virtually through Microsoft Teams. For more information visit [www.newrochelleny.com/cityclerk](http://www.newrochelleny.com/cityclerk) or call (914) 654-2159. Written comments can also be sent to Todd Castaldo, Operations Manager, City of New Rochelle, 515 North Avenue, New Rochelle, NY 10801 OR email: [tcastald@newrochelleny.com](mailto:tcastald@newrochelleny.com).

The City will make reasonable accommodations and services necessary for sensory-impaired and disabled citizens at the public meeting. Translation services may be offered upon request and availability. Persons requiring such accommodations/services should contact the Department of Development at least five working days in advance at 914-654-2184.

**MICHELLE OLIVEROS**  
**CITY CLERK**