CITY OF UMATILLA

Public Notice and Notice of Public Hearing

The City of Umatilla is eligible to apply for a 2020 Community Development Block Grant from the Business Oregon. Community Development Block Grant funds come from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The grants can be used for public facilities and housing improvements, primarily for persons with low and moderate incomes.

Approximately \$12 million will be awarded to Oregon non-metropolitan cities and counties in 2020. The maximum grant that a city or county can receive for a public works project is \$2,500,000 and \$500,000 for an emergency project.

The City of Umatilla is preparing one application for a 2020 Community Development Block Grant – Public Works from Business Oregon for Final Design of sewer utility extensions to Power City and Brownell areas. It is estimated that the proposed projects will benefit at least 93 persons within Power City, of whom 66.7% will be Low- or Moderate-income, or 183+ persons including the Brownell neighborhood, of which at least 51.3% will be low- or moderate-income.

The City is preparing a second application for a 2020 Community Development Block Grant – Emergency Project from Business Oregon for Design/Construction of a Waterline Replacement project associated with the 2019 flooding events on the Umatilla River. This project will meet the Urgent Need National Objective because of the federally declared emergencies for Umatilla County in April 2019. This project will replace the waterline destroyed when flooding damaged the Umatilla River Pedestrian Bridge.

A public hearing will be held by the City Council at 6:00 p.m. on August 18, 2020 at City Hall, 700 6th St. Umatilla, OR 97882. The purpose of this hearing is for the City Council to obtain citizen views and to respond to questions and comments about the scope of the proposed projects.

Written comments for the public hearing on August 18, 2020 are welcome and must be received by August 14, 2020 at City of Umatilla, PO Box 130/700 6th St. Umatilla, OR 97882. Both oral and written comments will be considered by the City Council in deciding whether to apply.

The location of the hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. Please contact City Recorder Nanci Sandoval at (541) 922-3226 if you will need any special accommodations to attend or participate in the meeting.

More information about Oregon Community Development Block Grants, the proposed projects, and records about the City of Umatilla's past use of Community Development Block Grant funds is available for public review at City Hall 700 6th St. Umatilla, OR 97882 during regular office hours. Advance notice is requested. If special accommodations are needed, please notify Nanci Sandoval at (541) 922-3226 so that appropriate assistance can be provided.

Permanent involuntary displacement of persons or businesses is not anticipated as a result from either proposed project. If displacement becomes necessary, alternatives will be examined to minimize the displacement and provide required/reasonable benefits to those displaced. Any low- and moderate-income housing that is demolished or converted to another use will be replaced.