

**Notice to the Public of 30-Day Comment Period  
Substantial Amendment to the 2019-2023 Consolidated Plan for the Community  
Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership Grant  
Program**

In accordance with the City of Waco's (COW) Citizen Participation Plan and requirements of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and with social distancing guidelines, the Waco City Council meeting will not be open to the public for a public hearing on September 1, 2020. Council members will attend virtually. The meeting will be streamed live at [www.wccc.tv](http://www.wccc.tv) and there will be an opportunity for the public to submit written comments on goals added to the Consolidated Plan Substantial Amendment. **The 30-day comment period will begin July 28<sup>th</sup> and end August 27<sup>th</sup>.** The substantial amendment will result in the expansion of associated goals and priority descriptions to be carried out during the five-year consolidated plan. The goals are as follows: Small Business Education and Loan Program, Site Development in support of affordable housing development and New Construction and Acquisition and Rehabilitation.

Members of the public who wish to submit their written comments on a listed agenda item must submit their comments, at [www.waco-texas.com/council-speaker.asp](http://www.waco-texas.com/council-speaker.asp), by emailing [rayneshah@wacotx.gov](mailto:rayneshah@wacotx.gov) or by calling 254-750-5656 for staff assistance.

The City of Waco has determined that it is necessary to amend the approved 2019-2023 Consolidation Plan to meet the needs of citizen comments and concerns.

In accordance with Federal CDBG and HOME Program regulations, 24 CFR 91.105(c) and 24 CFR 91.505, the City is allowed to make substantial amendments to its Annual Plan, Consolidated Plan and Budget in accordance with the Citizen Participation Plan.

The following goals will be added:

Priority Need	Goal	Description
Increase Access to Affordable Housing	Housing Development/Acquisition and Rehabilitation	New construction and, acquisition and rehab of modest and affordable dwellings for low/moderate income households. The city will acquire properties to rehabilitate and develop new construction for sale to the public in association with the first-time homebuyers program.
	Site Development	Development of contiguous undeveloped lots or parcels to assist with infrastructure, including streets and drainage for a new affordable housing development.
Economic Development	Small Business Loan Fund	To assist small businesses with loans up to \$10K for working capital such as payroll, rent and equipment at a reasonable interest rate.
	Small Business Education	To provide in-depth training covering topics important to new/current business owners including courses related to developing viable business plans, basics of business, utilizing social media to grow business, how to become a WMBE certified, etc.

**Written comments regarding the Substantial Amendment or the proposed usage of funds should be addressed to:**

Housing and Code Enforcement  
City of Waco  
P. O. Box 2570  
Waco, Texas 76702-2570

**All comments will need to be submitted by 5:00 p.m. August 27, 2020.**

**NOTE:** Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who need auxiliary aids or services should contact Esmeralda Hudson, City Secretary, at (254) 750-5750 at least twenty-four (24) hours before this meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

This notice is being posted at Waco City Hall on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020 at 10:30 A.M./P.M.

Signature by City Secretary

