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**Community
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Community Services Department

Date: April 7, 2017

To: Joan Hartmann, Chair
Board of Supervisors

From: George Chapjian, Community Services Director

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Subject: Withdraw of FY 2017-18 Action Plan with Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Recommendations from April 11, 2017 Board Agenda
Due to uncertainty of Federal Grant Awards

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Chair Hartmann:

CSD/HCD is requesting that the April 11, 2017 board letter:

“Public Hearing to consider public comments received and funding recommendations on (1) draft FY 2017-18 Action Plan and (2) draft FY 2014-15, FY 2015-16 and FY 2016-17 Action Plan Substantial Amendments”

be withdrawn from the April 11, 2017 board agenda, and return at a later Board meeting date for consideration when the County has been notified of its 2017 HUD grant allocations.

Yesterday April 6, 2017 CSD/HCD staff received notification from the Los Angeles area office of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) that HUD grantees are being advised not to submit their FY 2017 Action Plans to HUD until after federal grant allocations have been announced by HUD. HUD also extended the deadline for the submission of the Action Plan from May 15th to 60 days after the date allocations are announced, or August 16, 2017 whichever comes first.

The County's draft FY 2017-18 Action Plan contains proposed CDBG capital development and public service projects and uses an estimated grant allocation amount, based on last year's award. Usually the County receives notification of its HUD grant allocations by the 1st quarter of each year. Due to greater than normal uncertainty regarding the HUD grant awards to the County, staff would like to withdraw the board letter to avoid confusion. Staff proposes to return to the Board with an updated FY 2017-18 Action Plan with recommended CDBG projects, once the County has been officially notified of its federal grant allocations under the CDBG and HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) and has consulted with its grant application advisory bodies.

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