

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE September 29, 2017

The Honorable Members of the Economic Development and Housing Committee:
TO Tennell Atkins (Chair), Rickey D. Callahan (Vice Chair), Scott Griggs, Casey Thomas, II,
B. Adam McGough, Mark Clayton, Kevin Felder, Omar Narvaez, Lee M. Kleinman

SUBJECT HUD Fair Housing Cooperative Grant

SUMMARY

On October 25, 2017, the Dallas City Council will be asked to consider the acceptance of the HUD Fair Housing Cooperative Grant in the amount of \$284,850.

BACKGROUND

The Economic Development and Housing Committee was briefed on the Recertification of the Dallas Fair Housing Office on September 5, 2017. As a HUD certified Fair Housing Agency, the Dallas Fair Housing Office is eligible to receive federal grants for Fair Housing Enforcement. Since 1992, the City of Dallas has received an annual Cooperative Grant award from HUD. The grant amount for FY 17-18 is \$284,850 and will be used to pay salaries for 4 positions and will also provide funding for outreach and training.

ISSUE

HUD has offered the City of Dallas a Cooperative Grant in the amount of \$284,850.

ALTERNATIVES

If the grant is not accepted it will negatively impact the City's ability to effectively enforce Fair Housing laws within the City of Dallas.

FISCAL IMPACT

This grant provides \$284,850 and funds 4 positions.

COORDINATION

Planning for grant acceptance was coordinated through the Office of Financial Services.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends City Council approval and acceptance of the grant in the amount of \$284,850.

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Please let me know if you have questions or need additional information.



RF Raquel Favela
Chief of Economic Development & Neighborhood Services

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