

TO: JAMESTOWN SUN PUBLIC NOTICE
FROM: CITY OF JAMESTOWN
DATE: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2018
RE: PUBLIC NOTICE OF CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN per ND DEPT OF COMMERCE SFN 52662

PLEASE PUBLISH THE FOLLOWING NO LATER THAN SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2018

PUBLIC NOTICE OF CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM

Pursuant to Section 104(a)(3) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, this Citizen Participation Plan is hereby adopted to ensure that the citizens of City of Jamestown, particularly persons of very low and low income residing in slum and blight areas and in areas in which CDBG funds are proposed to be used, are provided the opportunity and encouraged to participate in the planning and implementation of CDBG-funded activities.

PUBLIC HEARING

Public hearings will be the primary means of obtaining citizen views and responding to proposals and questions related to community development and housing needs, proposed CDBG activities and past CDBG performance.

Prior to submitting a CDBG application to the State, the City of Jamestown will conduct at least one public hearing to identify community development and housing needs, including the needs of very low and low income persons, as well as other needs in the community that might be addressed through the CDBG program, and to review proposed CDBG activities and the past performance of the City of Jamestown in carrying out its CDBG responsibilities. In the event CDBG funds are granted by the State, the City of Jamestown will conduct at least one additional public hearing to allow citizens to review and comment on its performance in carrying out its CDBG program.

A formal public notice will be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the area at least five (5) days prior to such public hearings. A public notice will also be posted in the City Hall, and in other places frequented by the public, especially very low and low income persons benefiting from or affected by proposed CDBG activities.

As circumstances warrant and as the City of Jamestown determines necessary or appropriate, participation may additionally be specifically solicited from persons of very low and low income, those benefiting from or affected by CDBG activities and/or representatives of such persons. Hearings will be held at times and locations convenient to potential and actual beneficiaries, and with accommodation for the handicapped. In the case of public hearings where a significant number of non-English speaking residents can be reasonably expected to participate, arrangements will be made to have an interpreter present.

PUBLIC INFORMATION AND RECORDS

Information and records regarding the proposed and past use of CDBG funds will be available at (Location) during regular office hours. The public will be so informed by public notice. Special communication aids can be made available to persons upon request.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The City of Jamestown will provide technical assistance to group's representative of persons of very low and low income that request assistance in developing CDBG proposals. The level and type of assistance appropriate will be determined by the City of Jamestown based on its ability to provide or arrange for such assistance, the cost of providing such assistance and other relevant factors.

WRITTEN COMMENTS AND RESPONSE

The City of Jamestown will respond to written complaints and grievances in writing in a timely manner. When practicable, such written responses shall be made within fifteen (15) working days.

Sarah Hellekson, City Administrator
November 20, 2018

TO: JAMESTOWN SUN PUBLIC NOTICE
FROM: CITY OF JAMESTOWN
DATE: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2018
RE: PUBLIC NOTICE OF HEARING per ND Division of Community Services SFN 52663

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PUBLIC NOTICE & NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Jamestown plans to submit a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application to the State of North Dakota, Division of Community Services (DCS). CDBG funds are intended to provide decent housing, suitable living environments and economic opportunities, principally for very low and low income persons through rehabilitation and preservation, economic/job development and public facilities improvements.

The application being considered would request \$100,000 in 2019 and annually for ten years for the Downtown Façade Improvement Project. It is estimated that approximately 12.5% of the funds would benefit very low and low income persons. Permanent involuntary displacement of neighborhood persons or businesses is not anticipated. Should it later become necessary to consider such displacement, alternatives will be examined to minimize the displacement. If no feasible alternatives exist, required/reasonable benefits will be provided to those displaced to mitigate adverse effects and hardships. Any very low and low income housing which is demolished or converted will be replaced.

A public hearing will be held at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, December 3, 2018, at City Hall, 102 3rd Ave SE, Jamestown, ND, to obtain citizen views and to respond to proposals and questions related to:

- The proposed CDBG application for the Downtown Façade Improvement Project;
- Community development and housing needs, including the needs of very low and low income persons, as well as other needs in the community that might be addressed through the CDBG program; and
- The performance of the City of Jamestown in carrying out its community development responsibilities.

Written comments are also welcome and must be received by December 3, 2018, at City Hall, 102 3rd Ave S.E., Jamestown, ND 58401. Oral and written comments will be considered in deciding whether to submit an application for the proposed project. Written summary information will be available at City Hall on November 26 until December 17, 2018, on any CDBG application(s) the City of Jamestown intends to submit to the state. A copy of the application(s) as submitted to the state will be available for public review at City Hall after December 17, 2018.

Information and records regarding the City of Jamestown proposed and past use of CDBG funds are available at City Hall during regular office hours. Advance notice is requested. Individuals including non-English speaking individuals who require accommodations, including appropriated auxiliary aids, translated documents or interpreters to participate in the public hearing, should contact at City Hall, 102 3rd Ave S.E., Jamestown, ND 58401, rac@jamestownnd.org, 701-252-5900, or by calling TTY: 800-366-6888, Spanish TTY: 800-435-8590, or Relay ND Voice: 800-366-6889.

Sarah Hellekson, City Administrator
November 20, 2018