

NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND PUBLIC HEARING AMENDED CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Gainesville has updated its Citizen Participation Plan for the City's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) grants received annually from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The publication of this notice is the beginning of the 30-day public review period required under Federal Regulation 24 CFR 91.105(b) (2). The public review and written comment period begins August 24, 2017 and concludes September 23, 2017.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that a public hearing for the Citizen Participation Plan is scheduled for Thursday, October 5, 2017, at 5:30 p.m. At that meeting, the City Commission will receive public comments on the plan and consider adoption of the plan.

CDBG AND HOME GRANT PROGRAMS

The primary purpose of the CDBG program is the development of viable communities, decent housing, and expanded economic opportunities for persons of low- and moderate-incomes. The primary purpose of the HOME program is to provide housing opportunities for low-income persons.

The Citizen Participation Plan details policies and procedures for encouraging citizen participation in the planning and performance reporting processes regarding the City's HUD programs.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

All interested parties may submit comments on the plan by September 23, 2017. To submit comments, call (352) 393-8565, email <u>wachteljs@cityofgainesville.org</u>, or write to the following postal address:

Housing and Community Development Division City of Gainesville P.O. Box 490, Station 22 Gainesville, FL 32627-0490 ATTN: John Wachtel

Additionally, the public is invited to be present and be heard at the public hearing on October 5, 2017, at 5:30 p.m.

A copy of the DRAFT Citizen Participation Plan will be available for public review on the City's website at http://www.cityofgainesville.org/Portals/0/house/DRAFT%20Gainesville%20CPP%202017%20Final2.pdf; and during regular business hours at the following locations:

- Housing & Community Development Office, 306 NE 6th Ave., The Thomas Center, Bldg. B, Rm. 245;
- Clerk of the City Commission Office, 200 East University Ave., City Hall;
- Downtown Library, 401 East University Ave.;
- Cone Park Library, 2801 East University Ave.; and
- Library Partnership, 1130 NE 16th Ave.

For more information contact John Wachtel, by email at wachteljs@cityofgainesville.org, or by telephone at (352) 393-8565.

The City of Gainesville is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity/Drug Free Workplace Employer. The City of Gainesville is committed to a policy of nondiscrimination in all City programs, services and activities, and will provide reasonable accommodations upon request. To request accommodations for non-English speaking persons, individuals with disabilities, and individuals with hearing impairments, please contact the City of Gainesville Office of Equal Opportunity

at (352) 334-5051 (voice) or (352) 334-2069 TDD; or Neighborhood Planning Coordinator John Wachtel at (352) 393-8565; TTY users please call 711.

FAIR HOUSING/EQUAL OPPORTUNITY/DISABILITY ACCESS JURISDICTIONS



