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TO: Ande Banks, VI, Acting City Manager  
FROM: Kristin McCombe, CDBG Program Coordinator  
DATE: 05/16/2022  
RE: CDBG 2021 Action Plan Amendment

**Summary:**

This public hearing is required by HUD to receive citizen comments on an amendment to the Community Development Block Grant 2021 Action Plan. Staff proposes that the following amendment be made:

- \$50,000 will be transferred from the CDBG project 2021 Administration to the NEW CDBG project 2021 North Liberty Gateway Public Art.

Staff will make a short presentation, to be followed by a public hearing and a 30-day public comment period. There is no action needed on this item at this time.

**Background:**

City staff is proposing that the council consider launching the process for the creation of an art installation at the convergence of North Main and Liberty Streets, located at the northern end of Downtown Harrisonburg. This proposed project will involve the collaboration of several community organizations and city departments. The Arts Council of the Valley has agreed to donate their time and expertise towards the oversight of this project. Harrisonburg Downtown Renaissance (HDR) has committed funding towards the art installation. Both the Community Development Block Grant and Public Works will also give time and staff resources towards this project.

**Key Issues:**

n/a

**Environmental Impact:**

A standard environmental review will be completed.

**Fiscal Impact:**

None

**Prior Actions:**

n/a

**Alternatives:**

- (a) Open a public hearing and 30-day public comment period; or
- (b) Do not open a public hearing and 30-day public comment period

**Community Engagement:**

An ad was placed in the DNR on 5/17/22.

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends that council open a public hearing and 30-day public comment period

**Attachments:**

**Review:**

*The initiating Department Director will place in Legistar, in sequence of transmittal, the names of each department that must initial their review in order for this item to be placed on the City Council agenda. The completion of review only addresses the readiness of the issue for Council consideration. This does not address the recommendation for approval or denial of the issue.*