



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing will be held at a regularly scheduled City of Bristol Council Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 9, 2020 at 300 Lee Street, Bristol, VA to give citizens the opportunity to comment on the City's request to amend its Community Development Block Grant 2019-20 Annual Action Plan. Social distancing guidelines will be in place at this council meeting. This meeting will also be broadcast live on the City's website at <https://www.bristolva.org/533/BTV> .

On March 27, 2020, Congress passed legislation entitled The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) in response to the growing effects of the COVID-19 public health crisis. As part of this CARES Act, HUD allocated additional CDBG entitlement funds in the amount of \$159,013, titled CDBG-CV, to the City of Bristol, Virginia, to prevent, prepare for and respond to COVID-19. The City will also reallocate \$25,000 unused 2019 funding to respond to COVID-19 as well. In order for the City to allocate these funds, a Substantial Amendment is necessary to amend the City's 2019-2020 AAP and its Citizen Participation Plan to allow the funds to be used during the 2019-2020 program year. The revised Citizen Participation Plan is available for review on the City of Bristol's website, at www.bristolva.org. The 30-day comment period has been waived, and no less than 5 days are now provided for public comment on this Amendment, which will end on June 12, 2020. Activities carried out with this funding include public services, small business assistance, public infrastructure improvements to reduce the spread of the virus, and Administration. Activities funded by CDBG programs must contribute to the goals and objectives of City of Bristol's Consolidated Plan and meet all applicable federal requirements.

Additional information may be obtained or comments made by contacting the CDBG Coordinator, Ellen Tolton, at City Hall, 300 Lee Street, Bristol, Virginia, 276-645-7473 or ellen.tolton@bristolva.org.