

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING Wednesday, June 06, 2018

265 Strand Street, St. Helens, OR 97051 www.ci.st-helens.or.us

Welcome!

All persons planning to address the Council, please sign-in at the back of the room. When invited to provide comment regarding items not on tonight's agenda, please raise your hand to be recognized, walk to the podium in the front of the room to the right, and state your name only. You are not required to give your address when speaking to the City Council. If you wish to address a specific item on the agenda, you should make your request known to the Mayor as soon as possible before the item comes up. The Council has the authority to grant or deny your request. Agenda times and order of items are estimated and are subject to change without notice.

- 1. Open Public Hearing 6:00 p.m.
- 2. Topic
 - 2.A. 2018 Community Development Block Grant Notice of Intent for Food Bank CDBG Public Notice and Notice of Public Hearing Final.pdf
- 3. Close Public Hearing

Public Notice and Notice of Public Hearing

The City of St. Helens is eligible to apply for a 2017 Community Development Block Grant from the Business Oregon. Community Development Block Grant funds come from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The grants can be used for public facilities and housing improvements, primarily for persons with low and moderate incomes.

Approximately \$12 million will be awarded to Oregon non-metropolitan cities and counties in 2017. The maximum grant that a city or county can receive is \$2,500,000.

The City of St. Helens is preparing an application for a 2017 Community Development Block Grant from the Business Oregon for the relocation of the Columbia Pacific Food Bank into the Columbia Electric Feed & Seed location at 1421 Columbia Blvd. It is estimated that the proposed project will benefit at least 15,000 persons, of whom 100 percent will be low or moderate income.

A public hearing will be held by the City Council at or later than 6:45 p.m. on June 6 at City Council Chambers, located in the City Hall building at 265 Strand Street, St. Helens, OR. Access into City Hall for this hearing will be from the plaza side entrance. The purpose of this hearing is for the City Council to obtain citizen views and to respond to questions and comments about: community development and housing needs, especially the needs of low- and moderate-income persons, as well as other needs in the community that might be assisted with a Community Development Block Grant project; and the proposed project.

Written comments are also welcome and must be received by June 20, 2018 at City Hall (265 Strand Street, St. Helens, OR), by mail at PO Box 278, St. Helens, OR 97051, or by email at jdimsho@ci.st-helens.or.us. Both oral and written comments will be considered by the City Council in deciding whether to apply.

The location of the hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. Anyone needing special assistance should contact City Hall at least 72 hours in advance to ensure the necessary assistance is available. The Council Chambers are fully accessible. Please contact Jennifer Dimsho at (503) 366-8207 or by email at jdimsho@ci.st-helens.or.us if you will need any special accommodations to attend or participate in the meeting.

More information about Oregon Community Development Block Grants, the proposed project, and records about the City of St. Helens' past use of Community Development Block Grant funds is available for public review at City Hall (265 Strand Street, St. Helens, OR) during regular office hours. Advance notice is requested. If special accommodations are needed, please notify Jennifer Dimsho at (503) 366-8207 so that appropriate assistance can be provided.

Permanent involuntary displacement of persons or businesses is not anticipated as a result from the proposed project. If displacement becomes necessary, alternatives will be examined to minimize the displacement and provide required/reasonable benefits to those displaced. Any low- and moderate-income housing that is demolished or converted to another use will be replaced.