

Notice of Public Hearing

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Public Hearing

The City of Mount Vernon intends to apply to the Ohio Department of Development for funding under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Community Development Program. The CDBG program is a federally funded program administered by the State.

The City is eligible for \$150,000 in Program Year 2024 CDBG Community Development Allocation funds providing the City meets applicable program requirements. Mount Vernon also intends to apply for a \$500,000 competitive PY 2024 Critical Infrastructure Grant and a \$750,000 competitive PY 2024 CDBG Neighborhood Revitalization Grant.

Of the \$150,000 CDBG Allocation, \$120,000 will go to the completion of sidewalks on the north side of East Vine Street between Potwin Street and South Center Street, \$3,000 for Fair Housing and \$27,000 for Administration.

The \$500,000 competitive Critical Infrastructure Grant is for the reconstruction of West Burgess and West Hamtramck Streets. The project will rebuild the brick street, install new curbs and drainage, and replace the water and sewer lines. The \$2.67 million project will be funded with \$470,000 in CDBG funds and \$2,200,000 from City funds. The balance of the grant, \$30,000, will be used for administration.

Mount Vernon intends to apply for a \$750,000 competitive Neighborhood Revitalization Grant for the City's second Riverside Park Neighborhood. The grant will be part of \$2.91 million of improvements to storm sewers, sidewalks, curbs, gutters, and water and sewer improvements, new sewers in limited areas in this census block, and improvements to the Riverside Park playground and pickleball courts. The overall project budget is as follows: administration, \$50,000; street improvements, \$520,000; sidewalks, \$335,000; storm

drainage, \$160,000; water, \$20,000; sanitary sewer, \$1,200,000; and park improvements, \$625,000. The PY2024 CDBG Neighborhood Revitalization Grant will provide \$118,000 for streets, \$142,000 for storm drainage improvements, \$420,000 for park improvements, \$20,000 for water improvements and \$50,000 for administration.

The grant applications are due to the Ohio Department of Development on June 12, 2024. All of the proposed projects will meet the national objective of benefiting low- to moderate-income people. If funded, all work will be performed between January 2025 and August 2026.

A second public hearing will be held on Tuesday, June 4, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. in order to give citizens an adequate opportunity to review and comment on the City's proposed PY 2024 CDBG applications before the City submits the applications to the State. The hearing will be held in Council Chambers, Mount Vernon City Hall, 20 Public Square, Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050. Citizens are encouraged to attend.

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Distribution: Local media, members of City Council, elected officials

***An earlier version of this public notice had the wrong day of the week for the public hearing.