

**HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
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DATE: NOVEMBER 27, 2017
TO: HOUSING AUTHORITY COMMISSIONERS
FROM: DAVID E. GOUIN, DIRECTOR
HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
SUBJECT: HOUSING AUTHORITY MONTHLY ACTIVITIES REPORT

- The funding for the 27-unit Crossings on Aston development closed November 14, 2017. The contractor has taken out grading permits, set up on the site and staked the site for grading. Construction is anticipated to take 12-15 months.
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- On November 3rd, HUD notified the City of their approval to maintain the CDBG funds in the Lantana Townhomes project and continue with the development of the ownership units. Burbank Housing is proceeding with permitting with the City's Planning and Economic Development Department.
- Closing on the City's Affordable Housing Incentive Fund Pilot Program (AHIFPP) loan in the amount of \$895,448 from the General Fund for Benton Veterans Village will take place before the end of November. This project, located at 1055 Benton Street, provides seven units for low-income veterans of the United States Armed Forces. Construction is anticipated to start in December.
- Staff submitted a Request for Waiver of Community Planning and Development (CPD) Grant Program and Consolidated Plan Requirements to HUD on November 3. This Request asks the local HUD Field Office CPD Director to waive specific regulatory requirements of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investments Partnership (HOME), and the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) programs. If granted, the waiver will provide the City with flexibility in the use of the listed program funds to assist with recovery from the October wildfires.
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 - Reduction of the public comment period for Consolidated Plan Amendments from thirty days to seven days;
 - Permission for City to utilize CDBG for new construction;
 - Suspension of CDBG public services cap of 15%;
 - Suspension of the 10% administration and planning cap for HOME funds;
 - Suspension and waiver of the 15% Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) set-aside; and
 - Suspension and waiver of maximum per-unit subsidy limits for HOME.

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