



## Legislation Text

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Resolution - A Resolution Approving the City of Mansfield's Participation in Tarrant County's Community Development Block Grant Program for the Three Program Year Period for Fiscal Year 2018 Through Fiscal Year 2020

Approve the Resolution Approving the City of Mansfield's Participation in Tarrant County's Community Development Block Grant Program for the Three Program Year Period for Fiscal Year 2018 Through Fiscal Year 2020.

Approve the Resolution.

Each year the City of Mansfield participates in a consortium with 29 other cities in Tarrant County to make application for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Projects must fall within targeted areas of the City that meet HUD criteria in order to receive funds. The targeted areas represent the low to moderate-income sections of the City according to the Census. For the past thirteen years the program projects have targeted the southwest & northwest quadrants of the original township.

The resolution stipulates that the City of Mansfield is agreeing to remain within the Tarrant County consortium and maintain the option to apply for CDBG funds for the next three fiscal years. The agreement also commits the City to utilize the funds that are dispersed by HUD in accordance with all program requirements. These program requirements are stipulated in the Resolution which has been reviewed by the City Attorney & the Engineering Department. It is the opinion of both that the agreement does not contain any onerous provisions that would legally bind the City to conduct business in a manner contrary to existing City policies & ordinances. The City of Mansfield as part of the consortium of 29 Cities applies to HUD for funding under the direction of Tarrant County. Therefore compliance with program requirements is vetted by Tarrant County staff overseeing the program in addition to City Staff.

A Copy of the Resolution has been attached for Council's review. Tarrant County has requested that the Mayor execute 5 original copies of the agreement.

The City of Mansfield has participated in the Consortium since its inception in 1975 and has received over two million dollars in grant funds. The program is an excellent way to rehabilitate the targeted areas of the City while minimizing the impact to the local tax rate.

The City Attorney and the City Public Works Director will be in attendance at the meeting to answer Council's questions regarding the proposed resolution and the City's participation in the CDBG program. A resolution is attached for Council's consideration.

N/A

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