

Public Notice

The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) proposes to allocate up to \$169,000 in a combination of Special Purpose Grant (TX24SPG501) and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. HCDD will make these funds available to the Houston Parks and Recreation Department to improve access for those with disabilities to the Independence Heights Community Center. Located at 603 E. 35th Street, Houston, TX 77022 in City Council District H, these improvements will include the construction of four on-street, head-in parking spaces with a wheelchair accessible ramp and pathway leading up to the main entrance of the Community center. These improvements will bring the center up to compliance with federal regulation under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The Special Purpose Grant will provide up to \$138,987.32 towards the total budget. CDBG funds will provide the remainder of the total cost, or up to \$30,012.68, coming from the unallocated Neighborhood Facilities (Public/Private) line item in various Annual Action Plans where funding is available.

The thirty-day public comment period for these changes extends from Tuesday, October 31, 2017 through Thursday, November 30, 2017. For more information on the program changes, contact Ana Patino-Martinez at (832) 394-6222. Written comments can be submitted by mail to Peggy Colligan, HCDD, 601 Sawyer Suite 400, Houston, TX 77007 or by email to Margaret.Colligan@HoustonTX.gov. Following the public comment period, the items will be submitted to City Council for approval. For more information on HCDD and its programs, you may access HCDD's website at <http://www.houstontx.gov/housing/>.

For specific questions or concerns about fair housing or tenant/landlord relations, please contact Royce Sells at (832) 394-6240.