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### Preconsidered Res. No. 1364

Resolution approving The City Fiscal Year 2021 Community Development Program, Reallocation of Forty-Sixth Year Community Development Funds, and the Proposed Forty-Seventh Year Community Development Program.

By Council Member Dromm

Whereas, The Office of Management and Budget has prepared a Proposed City Fiscal Year 2021 Community Development Program, a Proposed Reallocation of Forty-Sixth Year Community Development Funds, and a Proposed Forty-Seventh Year Community Development Program; and

Whereas, The Proposed City Fiscal Year 2021 Community Development Program, Proposed Reallocation of Forty-Sixth Year Community Development Funds and Proposed Forty-Seventh Year Community Development Program are provided to the City Council for review and consideration; and

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York hereby agrees to the Proposed Community Development Program for City Fiscal Year 2021 in the amount of \$368,704,000, which reflects an increase of \$88,499,000 over the Executive Budget as submitted by the Mayor on April 16, 2020; and be it further

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York hereby agrees to the Proposed Reallocation of Forty-Sixth Year Community Development Funds in the amount of \$277,081,000, which reflects an increase of \$188,000 over the Proposed Forty-Sixth Year Community Development Budget as submitted by the Mayor on April 16, 2020; and be it further

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York hereby agrees to the Proposed Forty-Seventh Year Community Development Program in the amount of \$281,464,000 which reflects an increase of \$187,000 over the Proposed Forty-Seventh Year Community Development Program as submitted by the Mayor on April 16, 2020; and be it further

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York hereby shall have the opportunity to review the allocation as part of the City Fiscal Year 2022 budget adoption, of that portion of the Forty-Seventh Community Development budget that will be scheduled to be spent in City Fiscal Year 2022 and not City Fiscal Year 2021.

**THE COUNCIL**

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE APPROVING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BUDGET FOR CITY FISCAL YEAR 2021, THE REALLOCATION OF FORTY-SIXTH YEAR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUNDS, AND THE FORTY-SEVENTH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM YEAR.**

The Committee on Finance respectfully submits to The Council of the City of New York the following:

**R E P O R T**

Introduction. The Proposed City Fiscal Year 2021 Community Development Program, Proposed Reallocation of Forty-Sixth Year Community Development Funds, and Proposed Forty-Seventh Year Community Development Program were submitted by the Mayor to the Council on April 16, 2020 and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Analysis. The Committee on Finance held hearings on the 6<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, and 21<sup>st</sup> of May, 2020. The testimony elicited at these hearings regarding the budget as a whole and with respect to specific needs and projects was supplemented by further data developed at the meetings of the Committee on Finance, and from Council staff and representatives of City agencies. The primary concern of the Committee was that the funding contained in the Proposed City Fiscal Year 2021 Community Development Program would meet the actual and perceived needs of the communities the City of New York comprises.

In its deliberations, the Committee on Finance took into consideration the testimony of the citizenry at the public hearings and the information furnished by Council Members, staff assistants, and City agencies.

As a result of the Committee on Finance’s deliberation, the Committee recommends the following:

1. A City Fiscal Year 2021 Community Development Program totaling \$368,704,000; and
2. A Reallocated Forty-Sixth Year Community Development Program totaling \$277,081,000; and
3. A Forty-Seventh Community Development Program totaling \$281,464,000.

The Committee makes this recommendation with the stipulation that the portion of the Forty-Seventh Year Community Development budget, which will be spent in City Fiscal Year 2022 and not City Fiscal Year 2021, will be subject to review and reallocation in the City Fiscal Year 2022 Community Development budget.

**Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)-Additional Funding**

(Dollars in Millions)

<b>COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM</b>	<b>PROPOSED BUDGET</b>	<b>PROPOSED CHANGES</b>	<b>REVISED BUDGET</b>
City Fiscal Year 2021 Community Development Program Total:	280.205	88.499	368.704
Reallocated Forty-Sixth Year Community Development Program Total:	276.893	0.188	277.081
Forty-Seventh Year Community Development Program Total:	281.277	0.187	281.464

The proposed changes to the City Fiscal Year 2021 Community Development Program Total are comprised of the addition of \$0.375 for the Food Pantry Services Program, \$1.150 for Environmental Impact Studies within the Department of City Planning that was moved from CFY 2020 to CFY 2021, and the funding of the following programs in CFY 2021 as a result of the COVID19 crisis:

\$9.674 - DOE Remote Learning - CV Digital CARES Act funding

\$50.000 - HRA NYC Food Reserve - CV Reallocated funds

\$27.300 - DEP Test and Trace Resource Navigators - CV Reallocated funds

The proposed changes to the Reallocated Forty-Sixth Year Community Development Program Total are \$0.188, half the Food Pantry Services program.

The proposed changes to the Forty-Seventh Year Community Development Program Total are \$0.187, the second half of the Food Pantry Services program.

The Food Pantry Services program will be administered through the Department of Youth and Community Development. Community Development funds will pay for a food distribution program at the Metropolitan Council on Jewish Poverty targeting low- and moderate-income residents in New York City. Funds are expected to pay for the administrative staff and for food.

#### PROGRAMS FUNDED AS A RESULT OF THE COVID19 CRISIS

Please note that a series of programs were funded with CDBG CARES Act funding and reallocated CDBG Entitlement funding across City Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021. The following is a list of these programs.

#### CARES Act Funding

1. DOE Remote Learning - CV; CDBG funds will be used to support the education of public school students throughout the city while they attend class remotely during COVID19-related school closure.  
Total Budget: \$97.664 CFY 2020: \$87.990 CFY 2021: \$9.674
2. Connected NYCHA: Older Adults - CV; CDBG funds will be used to provide tablets and related support and training services to elderly NYCHA residents.  
Total Budget: \$4.421 CFY 2020: \$4.421

#### Reallocated CDBG Entitlement Funding

3. DOE Remote Learning - CV; CDBG funds will be used to support the education of public school students throughout the city while they attend class remotely during COVID19-related school closure. This allocation is to support the iPad broadband and is budgeted in DOITT.  
Total Budget: \$35.906 CFY 2020: \$35.906

4. GetCool Air Conditioner Program - CV; CD funds will be used to provide air conditioners and installation services to low- and moderate-income older adults that are at increased risk of heat-related illness due to the COVID19 crisis.  
Total Budget: \$25.460 CFY 2020: \$25.460
  
5. HRA New York City Food Reserve - CV; To prevent against a food supply chain disruption coupled with the impacts of COVID19, the Office of Emergency Management and the Human Resources Administration are preparing a food reserve to deploy in the event of a food shortage.  
Total Budget: \$50.000 CFY 2021: \$50.000
  
6. DEP Test and Trace Resource Navigators - CV; CDBG funds will be used to connect New York City residents who have been diagnosed with or exposed to COVID19 with resources to safely isolate at home.  
Total Budget: \$35.000 CFY 2020: \$7.700 CFY 2021: \$27.300