PUBLIC NOTICE AND PUBLIC HEARING ANNOUNCEMENT Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment (2014 - #6) & Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment (2015 - #2)

In accordance with the City of Aurora's Citizen Participation Plan and the requirements of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), a public comment period and public hearing are being announced to provide the public an opportunity to comment on the 2014 and 2015 City of Aurora Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendments and Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funding allocations as outlined below. A public hearing is being held at 5:30 p.m. on September 28, 2015 in City Hall, 2nd floor Council Chambers, 44 E. Downer Place, Aurora, IL to provide the public an opportunity to comment on the 2014 Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment - #6 and 2015 Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment - #2 funding revisions as outlined below.

As an entitlement community, the City of Aurora, Illinois receives funding through the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) from HUD. Through HUD's Section 108 Loan Program, the City is also eligible for a Section 108 Loan Guarantee, in accordance with 24 CFR 570, Subpart M, to fund projects located within the City of Aurora that provide clear economic and community development benefits to low- and moderate-income persons and their communities.

Please be advised that effective September 13, 2015, the City's 2014 and 2015 Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendments will be available for review and public comments at the following locations: City of Aurora-Neighborhood Redevelopment, 51 E. Galena Blvd, Aurora, IL; Library-Main, 101 S. River St., Aurora, IL; Library-Eola, 555 S. Eola Rd, Aurora, IL; Library-West, 233 S. Constitution Dr., Aurora, IL; and on the City of Aurora website: www.aurora-il.org.

Upon advance request, the City will provide for translation services to meet the needs of non-English speaking residents. The City will also take whatever actions are appropriate to serve the needs of persons with disabilities. For more information, to make special arrangements, or to provide comments, contact Neighborhood Redevelopment Division, 51 E. Galena Blvd, (630) 256-3320 or dnr@aurora-il.org. Comments are being accepted no later than October 13, 2015.

Estimated 2014 HOME Allocation: \$449,185 Actual (per this 2014 Substantial Amendment - #6) 2014 HOME Allocation: \$532,530

HOME PROJECT	Funding Source	Comments	Prior funded amount (2014 AAP)	Amended Funding Amount
City of Aurora Neighborhood Redevelopment Division – HOME Administration (10%)	2014 – Entitlement Funds	Unallocated Entitlement	\$ 44,918.50	\$ 53,253.00
Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO) Direct Project Activities (15%)	2014 – CHDO Reserve/Entitlement Funds	Re-allocated Entitlement Funds to Reflect Actual CHDO Entitlement	\$404,266.50	\$ 79,879.50
Boreas, LLC – Aurora Impact Initiative	2014 – Unallocated Funds	Unallocated Entitlement	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,092.76
Verigreen St. Charles Hospital Project – Senior Housing Rental Units	2014 – Unallocated/ Entitlement + 2014 CHDO Direct Activity Prior Allocation Funds	Unallocated/Reallocated /Entitlement	\$ 0.00	\$392,304.74
	\$449,185.00	\$532,530.00		

Estimated 2015 HOME Allocation: \$505,903 Actual 2015 HOME Allocation: \$494,914

Direct Project Activity, \$371,186; CHDO Direct Activity \$74,237.10; Program Administration: \$49,491.40

HOME PROJECT	Funding Source	Comments	Prior funded amount (2015 AAP)		Amended Funding Amount
VeriGreen St. Charles Hospital Project	2015 - Entitlement Funds	Unallocated/	\$	0.00	\$107,695.26
 Senior Housing Rental Units 		Entitlement			
		Total HOME:	\$	0.00	\$107,695.26

Section 108 Application Request (per this 2015 Substantial Amendment - #2): \$6,000,000

The City of Aurora, Illinois, through its Neighborhood Redevelopment Division, is applying to HUD for authorization to utilize the Section 108 Program to create a Six Million Dollar (\$6,000,000) loan pool, pursuant to the National Objectives outlined in 24 CFR 570.208. This loan pool will establish a funding source for City projects where funding might otherwise be unavailable in the following project areas:

Section 108 Project Area	Funding Source	Comments/Proposed Activities	Prior funded amount (2015 AAP)	Amended Funding Amount
Economic Development Help smaller businesses create or retain full time jobs at a living wage	Section 108 Loan	Business Loans/Revolving Loan Pool (NRSA and Low/Mod Target Areas)	\$200,000.00*	\$2,200,000.00
Housing Redevelop or create rental units. Replacement scattered site housing, elderly, special needs or homeless	Section 108 Loan	Low-Income Tax Credit Projects for Affordable Housing And Supportive Housing Development Acquisition/Rehabilitation/Rental Project Gap Financing for Low-Income Projects Work force housing	\$0.00	\$2,000,000.00
Public Services/Facilities Increase/Improve quality of facilities (including public service facilities)	Section 108 Loan	Community Center Project within NRSA or other Low-Moderate Income Census Tract Area	\$300,000*	\$2,300,000.00
		Total:	\$500,000.00	\$6,500,000.00

*Includes pending 2015 Substantial Amendment #1 Approval from HUD for \$100,000 NRSA Commercial Façade Improvement Program and \$150,000 Aurora Interfaith Food Pantry – On site Parking Lot Vehicular and Pedestrian Safety Improvements.