

Public Notice

The City of Houston (City) through its Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) is proposing to authorize a Fourth Amendment to the Home Repair Program (HRP) Master Contractor Agreement (MCA) and a new form of the Tri-Party Agreement (TPA) and related documents (approved pursuant to Ord. No. 2018-56, as amended) for the City HRP to be executed by the City and each of the following contractors: DSW HOMES, LLC.; HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, INC.; JAMES W. TURNER CONSTRUCTION, LTD.; MAYBERRY HOMES, INC.; PMG CONSTRUCTION, INC.; REBUILDING TOGETHER - HOUSTON; and SLSCO, LTD., to allow the HCDD Director by written approval to increase the maximum TPA amount from \$250,000.00 to \$300,000.00. This increase is due to unforeseen cost increases including but not limited to historic conservation district and historic neighborhood regulations, homeowner association guidelines enforcement, and deed restrictions; to change the amount of liquidated damages triggered by construction delays; to change the warranty protections available to homeowners and to update various definitions, exhibits and provisions regarding notice, force majeure and state law compliance. The funding sources for this program include Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) funds.

The HRP provides home repair and reconstruction services for eligible low-and moderate-income (LMI) homeowners to alleviate immediate threats to their health, life, and safety. The HRP has completed 278 homes, with six under construction, and an additional 142 homes currently in preconstruction.

The City through HCDD is also proposing a First Amendment to the Developer Agreement between the City and A Caring Safe Place, Inc. (ACSP) to provide up to \$1,400,000.00 in additional Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME) funds for the development of up to four additional affordable single-family homes in the Settegast Super Neighborhood and to cover construction cost increases from the original developer agreement.

The public has thirty days to comment on these proposed items. The thirty-day period extends from Friday, June 2, 2023, through Sunday, July 2, 2023. Upon completion of the thirty-day public comment period, HCDD will take these items to City Council.

For additional information on these items, contact Metchm Lohoues-Washington at (832) 394-6180. Written comments can be submitted by email to Anne.Lohoues-Washington@houstontx.gov.

For specific questions or concerns about fair housing or landlord/tenant relations, please contact Yolanda Guess-Jeffries at (832) 394-6200 ext 5. For any information about our Complaints and Appeals Process, please access the following: <https://houstontx.gov/housing/complaints.html> and <https://houstontx.gov/housing/appeals.html>. For more information about HCDD and its programs, please access HCDD's website at www.houstontx.gov/housing.