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CITY OF ROCKFORD HOLDS COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PUBLIC HEARINGS TO PRESENT 2019 ANNUAL PLAN DRAFT

Rockford, IL – The City of Rockford will hold a public hearing at two different locations for interested citizens, groups and organizations. The purpose of the hearings is to present a draft of the 2019 Annual Action Plan update of the 2015 – 2019 Consolidated Plan.

The Consolidated Plan Annual Update satisfies the minimum statutory requirements for three federal formula programs: the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) and the Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG). The overall goal of these programs is to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanding economic opportunities principally for low- and moderate-income persons.

The first public hearing will take place at 1:00 pm, Wednesday, October 24, 2018 at Katie's Cup, 502 Seventh Street, in the Basement Meeting Room. For those that cannot attend the first hearing, the information will be made available once again with an opportunity for the public to share comments at 6:00 pm, Thursday, October 25, 2018 at Northwest Community Center, 1325 N. Johnston Avenue. Both sessions will cover the same information. Interested participants only need to attend one session.

The hearings will be accessible upon request to non-English speaking residents or persons with disabilities. Such individuals who are planning to attend and need special accommodations should contact by letter or telephone the Neighborhood Development Division, Community and Economic Development Department, 425 East State Street, Rockford, Illinois 61104, 779-348-7162, by October 22, 2018 to make notice of their anticipated needs.

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