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June 4, 2026, 2026 Council Agenda Briefing				
Item	**Question/Request and who made by**	**Responsible Staff/ Dept.**	**CM/ ACM**	**Staff response/update**
Public Hearing: Item A- CDBG-DR funding	KR: Inquired about the strategy around why we aren't pushing harder for State funding to cover home repairs through Renew NC in City limits, as HRB members urged. Why aren't we pushing to collaborate on getting phase 1 funding sorted out for households at or below 60% AMI before moving to phase 2 (61-80% AMI). Because it has been promised on our behalf that we will fully fund home repairs, do we have any updates on where additional funding could come from to meet that promise? ST: Inquired about reasons for attrition	Nikki Reid, Elma King	BW	The State has consistently indicated that the City shall be responsible for the hard construction costs for Asheville homes participating in Renew NC because they need to serve 28 WNC counties and they are experiencing resource scarcity similar to what the City is - with demand for home repair exceeding available resources. Applications continue to be processed and costs determined, so the figures remain subject to change. That said, the latest estimate we have from the State is that 109 applications are eligible and in phase 1 (60% AMI or less, Priorities 1 and 2). The projected cost for all eligible applications (across all phases) is currently $32 million. If the Substantial Amendment is approved, $22.2 million of the need will be addressed. One additional clarification is that Renew NC is precluded from moving into subsequent phases of the program until all eligible applications in phase 1 (60% AMI or less) are served. There is attrition in some cases due to homeowners being served by other sources, in some cases due to applicant non-response, and in some cases due to withdrawal. While we have visibility into applicant non-response or withdrawal, we don't have access to or knowledge of more detailed reason codes for these instances.
Unfinished Business: Item A- Parking Fund	MU: Capital cost v staffing costs; contracted solution v in-house solution.	Jessica M	DK	Transportation has not researched utilizing contracted services to provide parking enforcement. The Asheville Parking Action Plan, aka the "Dixon Study" completed in October 2024 suggested that outsourcing some functions of parking management, including enforcement could be evaluated as part of any planned expansion, however this has not been done specific to the planned South Slope expansion. Enforcement outsourcing, as well as collection

				of meter revenues, may be more fiscally appropriate for future consideration for areas further away from the CBD. The additional staff associated with the FY27 budget request for the South Slope expansion will not be limited to working in the South Slope once hired. These additional staff (2 part-time enforcement officers and 1 full-time field supervisor) will be added into the existing enforcement rotation and all enforcement officers will now cover the entire expanded enforcement area. The new field supervisor will supervise all of the enforcement officers and will assist in processing citation appeals and responding to customer complaints. The increased staffing pool will also improve weekend and overall coverage and enforcement consistency, as well as response to abandoned vehicles.
Unfinished Business: Item C- CDBG/HOME	AM: Which are the highest and lowest-scoring projects?	James Shelton	BW	Please see the table below.
Unfinished Business: Item D- Terrace Hill	EM: Are we able to reduce some of the costs of the project by removing some items that were listed in the NOFO? AM: What if someone who would have applied for NOFO did not apply because of some of these requirements? AM: Could other awardees be relieved of these requirements and save the money?	Nikki Reid	BW	All applicants are required to demonstrate disaster resilience characteristics to comply with HUD mitigation requirements. The City's NOFO identified the Enterprise Green Certification as the pathway to meet these requirements. Enterprise Green was developed for affordable housing and is less expensive, more flexible and more practical than LEED. Staff will work with awardees to refine mitigation components for each site as the building plans and loans are finalized so that no project is burdened by unnecessary costs.

Other Items: Boosting the Block	MU: Estimated timeline to deliverables	Walter Ear	JD	Boosting the Block Projected Timeline (including previous activities): ● 2024-2026 Planning activities. ● 2026-27 Upcoming Design activities ● 2027-28 Future Construction Staff will provide an overview of the typical capital (contract/design/construction) timeline as a part of the next Quarterly Capital Update.

2026-2027 CDBG Applications and Tentative Awards

Application Type	Agency	Amount Requested	Tentative Award	Average Score
Housing Services	Helpmate	$100,038	$ 100,038.00	98.5
Housing Services	City of Asheville Water Resources Department	$800,000	$ 500,000.00	96.0
Public Services	Helpmate	$60,000	$ -	95.5
Microenterprise	Mountain BizCapital Inc.	$155,400	$ -	95.0
Public Services	OnTrack WNC	$50,000	$ -	94.5
Public Services	Safe Shelter	$66,715	$ -	94.0
Housing Services	Asheville Area Habitat for Humanity	$725,000	$ 177,136.40	92.0
Public Facilities	Haywood Street Congregation	$298,455	$ -	92.0
Public Services	Pisgah Legal Services	$60,000	$ 60,000.00	90.5
Public Services	Homeward Bound	$124,197	$ -	89.5
Public Services	Haywood Street Congregation	$51,500	$ -	89.5
Housing Services	Safe Shelter	$246,165	$ -	86.5
Microenterprise	Carolina Small Business Development Fund	$150,000	$ -	85.5
Housing Services	Homeward Bound	$154,725	$ -	81.5
Microenterprise	Institute Capital	$1,200,000	$ -	78.0

Public Services	Heart House Comprehensive Recovery Community	$75,000	$ -	77.0
Public Services	Black Wall Street AVL	$45,000	$ -	67.5
Public Facilities	Heart House Comprehensive Recovery Community	$127,000	$ -	57.0
Housing Services	Henderson County & Thermal Belt Habitat for Humanity	$100,000	$ -	0.0
Total Requested		**$4,589,195**		
Total Available & Awarded			**$ 837,174.40**	