

## Proposed Citizen Participation Plan Amendment

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On April 3, the President of the United States issued Major Disaster Declaration for the State of West Virginia in light of the Covid-19 pandemic. In doing so, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development issued several waivers and guidance on regulatory requirements that pertain to administration of Community Development Block Grant – Coronavirus Response (CDBG-CV) and the HOME Program. More specifically, the proposed amendment to the City's Citizen Participation Plan would 1) reduce to the public comment period on substantial amendments related to CDBG-CV funds from 15 days to 5 days and 2) allow for virtual meeting to take place if social distancing guidelines and local/state orders do not permit large gatherings of people. The details of said regulatory waivers are highlighted in the Citizen Participation Plan Amendment.