



PLANNING & HOUSING

2018-2019 Budget Presentation to City Council

February 8, 2018

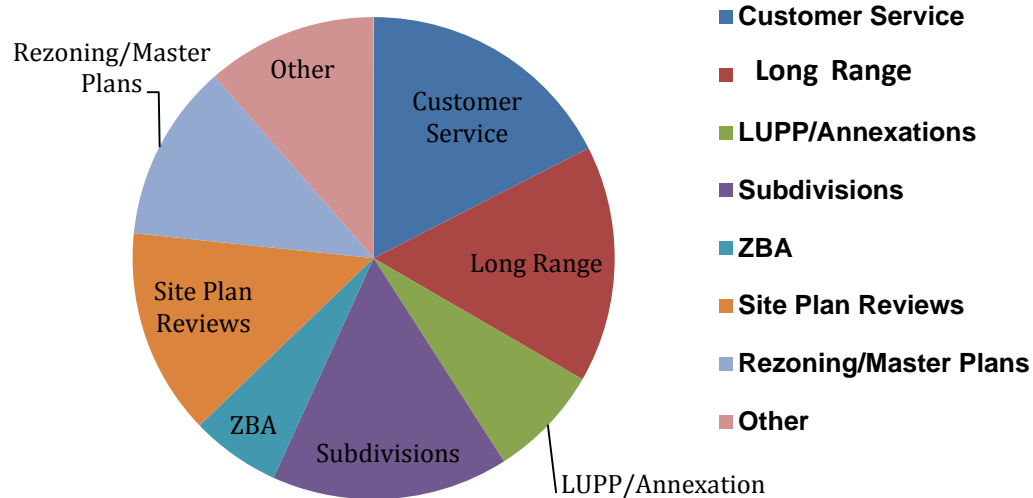
Planning Services (pages 234-237)



- **Budget reflects one program of Planning Services:**
 - **Current Planning Division**
 - **Long Range Planning Division**
 - **Administrative Services Division (Shared w/ PW and Fire)**
- **Three Public Boards:**
 - **Planning and Zoning Commission**
 - **Zoning Board of Adjustment**
 - **Historic Preservation Commission**

Planning Services, cont.

Planning Activities



Planning Services, cont.

- Current Planning Permitting software became active in March 2017
- Current Planning applications relatively consistent overall:
 - 3-year average of 157 items
 - FY16/17 of 152 items
 - Projected average of 150 items.



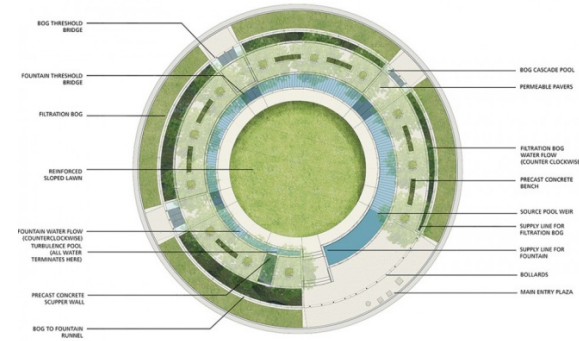
Planning Services, cont.

- Long Range Planning Accomplishments
 - Consistent levels of Council Referrals and Priorities
 - FY16/17-16 text amendments, 19 referrals, 12 priorities
 - Completed Landscape Ordinance, Lincoln Way Corridor Plan, North Growth Gap Area Evaluation



Planning Services, cont.

- Major Upcoming Council Priorities:
 - Comprehensive Plan Update
 - Downtown/Campustown Priorities
 - 321 State Avenue Affordable Housing Development
 - Lincoln Way Corridor Plan Implementation
 - Residential Occupancy Standards



Administrative Services (pages 232-233)

- Permitting and administrative support for Fire, Public Works, and Planning and Housing departments
- First contact for customer service and general inquiries
- Staff to multiple boards and commissions.
- Reorganized staffing in FY16/17 and reduced budgeted positions from five to six for FY17/18



City Wide Housing & Community Development Block Grant Programs (pages 208-209)

Address Housing Needs by...

- Investing ways to increase availability of affordable housing
- Explore ways to encourage availability of all types of housing.



City Wide Housing Activities

For 2017-18 and 2018-19 the following activities will continue:

□ Expenses for activities incurred by the Housing Division that are not eligible for reimbursement under the Community Development Block Grant Program. Along with payroll costs for temporary staffing needs in support of CDBG program administration.

□ Staff will continue to host community forums, training events to educate and engage the public on various housing topics/awareness issues and concerns.



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Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Activities (pages 210-211)



For 2017-18

□ Total revenues of approximately **\$1,211,996**:

- The City received its 14th allocation of \$510,515.
- Included \$489,731 of FY16/17 rollover funds.
- Includes approximately \$211,750 of anticipated program income.



Building Better Neighborhoods

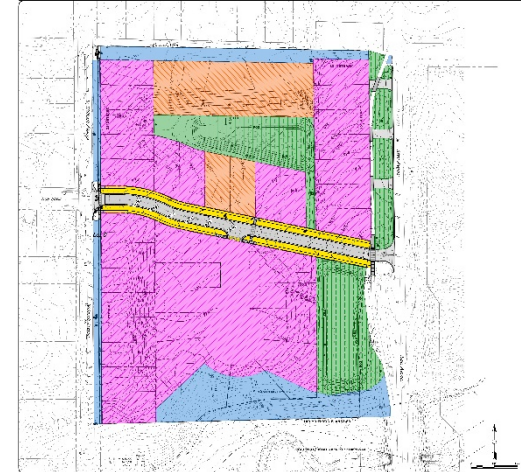
- CDBG funds are utilized to support the City Council's goals of addressing Affordable Housing needs in the community.
- Annually the City Council authorizes the maximum 20% of the CDBG allocation for administrative expenses.

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Activities, cont.



For 2017-18 the following activities have or will be occurring:

- ❑ Development of plans to bid and begin construction of the Tripp Street extension through the 321 State Avenue site.
- ❑ Sale of Maxwell Property to Habitat for Humanity.
- ❑ Administering the Deposit & Transportation Assistance Programs.
- ❑ Acquisition of up to two vacant properties .



Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Activities, cont.



For 2018-19:

- The FY 2018/19 CDBG allocation for the City of Ames **has not yet** been announced. However, for budgeting purposes the FY 2017/18 CDBG allocation of \$510,515 **is being projected**.
- In FY 2018/19, the City will be submitting its **fifth** annual action plan. Staff received public input in February and will bring that feedback to City Council for review and consideration. The Action Plan is to be submitted to HUD on or **before May 17, 2018, if funding has been announced**.
- In FY 2018-19, the City will be preparing its **4th** Five-Year Consolidated Plan for the period of **2018-2023**, the plan is due on or before May 17th as well.

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