



## Legislation Text

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**ITEM TITLE:**

Hold a public hearing to receive citizen comments, discuss recommendations from the City Planning Commission, and consider approving the Annual Action Plan for FFY 2020 Second Amendment, and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute all documents necessary to implement the plan and manage the Federal programs.

**INITIATOR:** Richard Rogalski, Community Services Director

**STAFF INFORMATION SOURCE:** Christine James, Administrator of Housing & Community Development

**BACKGROUND:** The Citizen Participation Plan requires a public hearing before the City Planning Commission (CPC) and City Council to consider major amendments to any plan. The hearing is to obtain input from Lawton citizens and the members of the Council on the amendment. The Annual Action Plan for FFY 2020 was approved on June 23, 2020 and included the Veterans Resource Center Project. The Veterans Resource Center will be located at the old Armed Services YMCA downtown and will have the ability to house up to ten homeless veterans. Along with the temporary shelter, the center will provide valuable resources, including finding permanent housing for the homeless veterans. In June, the City of Lawton was unable to allocate funds to the project since Lawton Support Services was still in the process of obtaining title to the property. Lawton Support Services obtained title in January of this year and the project can now be funded. The Annual Action Plan for FFY 2020 Second Amendment is to allocate \$550,000 in Federal funds to the Veterans Resource Center; \$400,000 in HOME funds toward the shelter and \$150,000 in CDBG funds towards infrastructure. The goal of this project is to find permanent housing for our local veterans.

**EXHIBIT:** Annual Action Plan for FFY 2020 Second Amendment-Project/Activity List with Allocation Amounts

**KEY ISSUES:** N/A

**FUNDING SOURCE:** CDBG and HOME Federal grants

**STAFF RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION:** Hold a public hearing and approve the Annual Action Plan for FFY 2020 Second Amendment, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute all documents necessary to implement the plan and manage the Federal programs.