



Item #09-5-10 Information

Land Use & Housing Committee

April 30, 2009

Update on Round 4 of Community Design Program

Issue: The next scheduled round for the Community Design Program is the second half of 2009. Staff will review the program with the Committee.

Recommendation: None. This item is for information only.

Discussion: Every two years, the SACOG Community Design Program provides funding to cities, counties, transit and air quality districts in Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo and Yuba counties. Placer and El Dorado counties have their own programs. Jurisdictions are awarded funds on a competitive basis. The program seeks to provide financial incentives to jurisdictions that promote the implementation of blueprint principles with physical development and can leverage other public and private funds for development. The funds may be used for improvements to public right-of-ways and the awarded projects must be eligible to use federal transportation aid.

Since 2004, the program has held three rounds of funding. Fifty-one projects have been awarded over \$43 million. The upcoming fourth round of funding is scheduled for the second half of 2009. At this meeting, staff will provide an overview to the Committee, including identification of key issues in the evolution of the program. After this meeting, possibly as early as the June cycle, staff will come back to the Committee, and then ultimately to the Board, and propose program and application guidelines for review and approval to release the fourth round of funding.

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