The Lakeland City Commission will hold a public hearing during a Special Meeting to be held on Monday, April 27, 2020, beginning at 3:00 PM to consider a Substantial Amendment to the One Year Action Plan and Projected Use of Funds; to receive comments from interested parties; and to authorize the City administration to submit the plan amendment to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regarding the City’s 2019-2020 (45th year) CDBG and (25th year) HOME funds.

As part of the Citizen Participation Plan for the CDBG program, the City is requesting a Substantial Amendment to the 2019 – 2020 CDBG & HOME Action Plan and Projected Use of funds due to the COVID-19 emergency declaration.

The requested amendment is to add the following project: Rental Assistance and Housing Counseling for Foreclosure Prevention

A draft of the activity/or activities for the use of funds may be reviewed on the City’s website at [http://www.lakelandgov.net/departments/community-economic-development/housing/](http://www.lakelandgov.net/departments/community-economic-development/housing/) from April 20, 2020 – April 27, 2020. Please submit any comments by e-mail to Annie Gibson, annie.gibson@lakelandgov.net. Written comments may be mailed to.

In order to comply with the Safer-at-Home Order issued by Governor DeSantis, City Hall is closed to the public and the entire meeting will be conducted online. Members of the public and interested parties who wish to comment will be able to do so by dialing a phone number and access code that will be displayed during the live broadcast on Spectrum Channel 643 or Fios Channel 43 or the webcast on www.lakelandgov.net. Written comments may be submitted by e-mail to annie.gibson@lakelandgov.net. Written comments must be received by April 27, 2020.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 286.26, Florida Statutes, persons with disabilities needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding, or those requiring language assistance (free of charge) should contact the City of Lakeland ADA Specialist, Jenny Sykes, no later than 48 hours prior to the proceeding, at (863) 834-8444, Email: Jenny.Sykes@lakelandgov.net. If hearing impaired, please contact the TDD numbers: Local - (863) 834-8333 or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD-Telecommunications Device for the Deaf) or the Florida Relay Service Number 1- 800-955-8770 (VOICE), for assistance.