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TOWN OF WEBSTER NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Webster Office of Community Development (OCD) will hold a public heating on Monday. June 1, 2020 at 6:00 P.M. on behalf of the Board of Selectmen. The hearing's purpose is to discuss a proposed grant application for FY 2019 CDBG-CV funding under the Massachusetts CDBG Program from the MA Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD). This is a special funding round resulting from an appropriation through the CARES Act of 2020.

For this application, the Town will be the lead community in a regional application that may include any or all of the following municipalities: Towns of Clinton, Douglas, Dudley, Lancaster, Northbridge, and Sterling. The Town intends to seek funding to provide 1) grants to businesses defined as micro-enterprises (those with 5 or fewer employees, including the owner(s)), and/or 2) funding to support public social services activities designed to assist persons who have been impacted by the COVD-19 virus. The maximum funding available is \$400,000 per individual community. The deadline for submitting the grant application is 5:00 P.M., June 5, 2020.

Due to the closure of town offices to the public, the hearing will be held on-line via Zoom on Monday, June 1, 2020 at 6:00 P.M. Zoom Login instruction for computers are browse to: https://zoom.us.join; Enter meeting ID 864 2843 1544 at prompt. Zoom login instruction for phones and tablets; download the free program "Zoom" (available on Google Play or the IoS Store). Follow prompts to join meeting.

https://us02web.zoom.us/i/86428431544?pwd=WnBHdWJZOWITUTImakF5YW9Kc2lxZz09

Any person or organization participating in the live on-line session will be afforded an opportunity to be heard. Information to assist in determining urgent local needs is welcomed. Comments may be made at the hearing or in writing to the OCD before the hearing. The Town encourages a broad spectrum of participation by residents and other interested parties. For further information or to submit comments, email ccyr@webster-ma.gov.

Randall V. Becker, Chairman Board of Selectmen

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Residents and Business Owners:

A public hearing notice by the Town of Webster has been placed on our website. Northbridge is intending to join in on a regional grant application led by Webster to request funding to mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. Instructions for remote participation in the public hearing are found within the hearing notice. Your participation is encouraged as it will help strengthen the grant application.

NORTHBRIDGE TOWN CLERK

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