



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Commission

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Tuesday, September 24, 2019

5:30 PM

Madison College- Traux Campus, Room D1630- Cafe
Annex

3550 Anderson Street, Madison, WI 53704

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A. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m.

Staff and others present: An Nguyen (WWBIC); Paul Sukenik and Kayla Leibfried (Habitat for Humanity); Joyce Frey (City of Fitchburg); Juan Jose Lopez and Jessica Cavazos (Latino Chamber of Commerce); Baltazar De Ana (Latino Academy of Workforce Development); Joanna Cervantes (Latino Chamber of Commerce and Sunshine Place); Tom Solyst (Vera Court Neighborhood Center); Alicia Armstrong and Stacia Conneely (Sunshine Place/ Legal Action of Wisconsin Clinic); Sharon Mason-Boersma (Stoughton Affordable Transportation Program); Veronica Figueroa (UNIDOS); Manuel Cody (UNIDOS and Sunshine Place); Paul Schechter (Sunny Side Development); Melinda Ferraro (Domestic Abuse Intervention Services); Camille Carter (Black Chamber of Commerce); Peter Ouchakof (staff).

CDBG Commissioners present: Cynda Solberg (Chair); Ron Johnson (Vice Chair); Godwin Amegashie; Matt Egerer; Teresita Torrence. The meeting attendance will be revised once the CDBG roster is updated in the legislative system.

Present 1 - Supervisor BILL CLAUSIUS

B. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

None.

C. Consideration of Minutes

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Amegashie, to approve the July 30, 2019 CDBG Commission meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.

MINUTES OF THE JULY 30, 2019 CDBG COMMISSION MEETING.

Attachments: [CDBG Minutes 7.30.19](#)

The Minutes were approved.

D. Public Hearing

Staff provided information to the public regarding the CDBG and HOME programs in accordance with Dane County's Citizen Participation Plan; as well as an overview of the 2020 funding recommendations.

Public Hearing registrants:

Joyce Frey (City of Fitchburg), in support of Fitchburg area projects including Latino Chamber of Commerce; Limestone Ridge; WWBIC; Madison Black Chamber; Latino Academy; UNIDOS; Project Home; Habitat for Humanity; Movin' Out.

Paul Sukenik, in support of Habitat for Humanity.

Baltazar De Ana, in support of Latino Academy of Workforce Development.

An Nguyen, in support of WWBIC.

Jessica Cavazos, in support of Latino Chamber of Commerce.

Joanna Cervantes, in support of Sunshine Place and Latino Chamber of Commerce.

Tom Solyst, in support of Latino Academy of Workforce Development.

Alicia Armstrong, in support of Legal Action of Wisconsin.

Sharon Mason-Boersma, in support of Stoughton Affordable Transportation Program.

Veronica Figueroa, in support of UNIDOS.

Manuel Cody, in support of Sunshine Place and UNIDOS.

Paul Schechter, in opposition to funding recommendation for Sunny Side Development.

Melinda Ferraro, in support of DAIS.

Camille Carter, in support of Madison Black Chamber of Commerce.

Stacia Conneely, in support of Legal Action of Wisconsin.

Written comments were also received by Richard Harris (Genesis Social Services Corporation), to provide additional information about Genesis proposal; Paul Esser (Mayor of Sun Prairie), in support of Boys and Girls Club, Bird Street Apartments, and Sunshine Place; Amelia Royko Maurer, in support of fully funding UNIDOS; and Jeane Kropp (Vice President of DAIS Board of Directors), in support of DAIS funding.

E. Action Items

Staff reviewed the funding recommendations and funds available to allocate for 2020 CDBG/HOME projects. Nortman Properties, who received an initial funding recommendation of \$200,000, withdrew their proposal because the rental development project is no longer moving forward. Additionally, More Smiles Dental Clinic notified the County that they are closing their Fitchburg clinic and will no longer be using their \$25,000 CDBG award from 2019. The funds from these two projects, along with a marginal amount of program income received, was added to the total funding available to 2020 projects.

Upon discussion from the Commission, it was recommended that the additional funds be allocated to the following projects:

\$50,000 to Habitat for Humanity

\$22,192 to WI Partnership for Housing Development

\$13,667 to DCHA

\$50,000 to Boys and Girls Club

\$4,000 to Operation Fresh Start

\$87,225 to Movin' Out

\$25,000 to Black Chamber of Commerce

\$15,000 to Latino Chamber of Commerce

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Amegashie, to include the recommendations listed above and approve the 2020 funding recommendations as presented on the attached spreadsheet. Motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Amegashie, to approve the 2020 Funding Contingencies. Motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

2020 CDBG AND HOME FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS.

Attachments: [2020 Scoring and Funding](#)

2020 FUNDING CONTINGENCIES.

Attachments: [Funding Contingencies](#)

This Action Item was approved.

F. Reports to Committee

SEPTEMBER 2019 EXPENDED FUNDS REPORT.

Attachments: [CDBG - Expenditure Status Report September.2019](#)

Staff reported on the September 2019 Expended Funds Report, noting that the CDBG/HOME Program Specialist has been in contact with Independed Living and notified the organization that they will need to appear before the Commission at the October meeting if they intend to move forward with their 2018 Minor Home Repair award due to staff turnover and difficulty expending the remaining funds on their 2017 contract.

SEPTEMBER 2019 RLF LOAN REPORT.

Attachments: [09.24.19 RLF report](#)

Staff reported on the September 2019 RLF Loan Report; all borrowers are current on payments through September 2019.

G. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next meeting: October 22, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.- location TBD.

H. Adjourn

Motion by Amegashie, seconded by Egerer, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.