

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF POTTER AND RANDALL
CITY OF AMARILLO**

On the 8th day of June, 2010, the Community Development Advisory Committee met in a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. The hearing was held at the Downtown Library, 4th & Buchanan, with the following members present:

VOTING MEMBERS	PRESENT TODAY	NO. MEETINGS HELD SINCE APPOINTMENT	NO. MEETINGS ATTENDED SINCE APPOINTMENT
ALLEN: James, Chairman	Yes	206	180
DAVIS: W. L. (Dub), Target Area	Yes	91	85
DUNN: Eddie, Target Area	Yes	15	11
GRISHAM: Glenda, NW Area	Yes	40	35
HALL: Lani, SW Area	Yes	75	61
JONES: Thomas, NE Area	Yes	32	24
MENDEZ: Rudy, SE Area	No	15	10
PARR: Chuck, SW Area	Yes	4	3
RIVERA: Ruben, SE Area	Yes	28	25
SALDIERNA: Rita, NE Area	Yes	25	20
WHITAKER: Clem, NW Area	Yes	83	71

STAFF MEMBERS:

Vicki Covey, Assistant City Manager
Patty Hamm, Housing Administrator
Deon Coffman, Affordable Housing Program Coordinator
Susan Barros, Program Coordinator
Diana Lindvay, Reporting Secretary

Citizens in Attendance: 36
Media: 0

Chairman James Allen established a quorum of the Community Development Advisory Committee and called the hearing to order at 7:07 pm. Chairman Allen asked each committee and staff member to introduce themselves and the areas they represent.

Chairman Allen thanked attendees for coming. He explained the purpose of the public hearing and provided an overview of the planning process for the 2010-2011 Annual Action Plan. The role of the Community Development Advisory Committee is to make recommendations to the City Commission regarding the allocation of funds from two federal grant programs: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME). He advised those in attendance the allocations were \$1,944,624 for CDBG and \$1,000,644 for HOME. He told the citizens in attendance that the City Commission would conduct the final public hearing on July 20, 2010 at 3:00pm at City Hall following a 30-day public comment period.

ITEM 1: Approve the minutes of the Public meetings held by the Community Development Advisory Committee on May 13, 2010 and June 1, 2010.

Motion by Lani Hall, seconded by Clem Whitaker, to approve the minutes, passed unanimously 9-0.

ITEM 2: Consider the allocation of \$112,617 from the 2010-2011 Texas Emergency Shelter Grant as approved by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

Motion by Rita Saldierna, seconded by Glenda Grisham, to approve the grant amount of \$112,617, passed unanimously 9-0

ITEM 3: Conduct a public hearing to allow citizens to comment on the 2010-2011 Annual Action Plan of the Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development and develop a recommendation for the allocation of resources as follows:

2010-2011 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	\$1,944,624
2010-2011 HOME Investment Partnership Program	\$1,000,644

TOTAL Resources Available	\$2,945,268

Chairman Allen explained the order of the discussion for each item, brief comments from agencies presenting new information, public comment, committee discussion, and then a motion for recommendation. He asked that persons wanting to speak to be recognized by the chair and give their name and address for the minutes. Chairman Allen asked that the order of discussion begin with the HOME activities.

HOME Investment Partnership Program **\$666,612**

HOME Program Administration	\$100,064
Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Grant	\$216,000
Rental Rehabilitation	\$150,000
HOMEbuyer Assistance	\$200,548
Sinclair Builders – Affordable Housing Infrastructure (Belaire)	\$ 0

There were no public comments or questions from the committee.

Motion by Lani Hall, seconded by Thomas Jones, to recommend \$666,612 for all HOME Investment Partnership Programs, passed unanimously 9-0.

Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO) **\$334,032**

Amarillo Habitat for Humanity – Housing Projects	\$ 84,000
Catholic Family Service – Housing Projects	\$200,000
Amarillo Habitat for Humanity – Operating Assistance	\$ 25,016
Catholic Family Service – Operating Assistance	\$ 25,016

There were no public comments or questions from the committee.

Motion by Ruben Rivera, seconded by Clem Whitaker, to recommend \$334,032 for the Amarillo Habitat for Humanity and Catholic Family Services CHDO projects and operating assistance, passed unanimously 9-0.

Community Development Block Grant

<u>Park Improvements</u>		\$120,000
Hamlet School Park	\$120,000	

Tonya Ford, 2503 Oak, said that the parks need to be improved for our children.

There were no further public comments or questions from the committee.

Motion by Glenda Grisham, seconded by Lani Hall, to recommend \$120,000 for the Park Improvement of Hamlet School Park, passed 8-1.

<u>Code Enforcement</u>		\$144,386
Demolition and Clearance	\$90,000	
Community Improvement Inspector	\$54,386	

There were no public comments or questions from the committee.

Motion by Lani Hall, seconded by Rita Saldierna, to recommend \$54,386 for Demolition and Clearance, passed unanimously 9-0.

Motion by Rita Saldierna, seconded by Lani Hall, to recommend \$90,000 for Community Improvement Inspector, passed unanimously 9-0.

Public Services

\$291,693

Chairman Allen explained that no more than 15% of the CDBG grant could be allocated to public service activities. The cap for 2010-2011 is \$291,693 and we had requests totaling \$4,994,477. All projects would be discussed and comments from both the public and committee would be heard before any motions would be made.

<i>SOS Activity Center – Catholic Family Services</i>	\$ 37,500
<i>FoodNET Program – PRPC</i>	\$ 25,000
<i>FAST Program – Family Support Services</i>	\$ 8,000
<i>Guyon Saunders Day Room</i>	\$ 37,992
<i>Jan Werner Adult Day Health Care</i>	\$ 25,000
<i>PRPC/TWC Child Care – Title 4-A Local Initiative</i>	\$100,000
<i>Salvation Army – SOSS Support Our Social Services</i>	\$ 37,701
<i>Transportation for the Homeless</i>	\$ 8,500
<i>Wesley Club Wrestling Program</i>	\$ 12,000

There were no public comments or questions from the committee.

Motion by Glenda Grisham, seconded by Eddie Dunn, to reduce funds for SOS to \$37,000 and add funds to Transportation to \$9,000, passed unanimously 9-0.

Lani Hall and Glenda Grisham felt that the Salvation Army has a great one-time need and maybe fund them \$40,000 and \$9,701 for Wesley Community Center. Thomas Jones stated that Wesley Community Center is a positive place because of the moms and dads being included in the activities. Rita Saldierna stated that there are not many programs that include fathers.

Motion by Rita Saldierna, seconded by Thomas Jones, to recommend to leave Salvation Army funding at \$37,701 and to leave Wesley Community Center funding at \$12,000, passed 6-3.

Motion by Rita Saldierna, seconded by Glenda Grisham, to recommend the total sum of \$291,693 be divided as follows for Public Services, passed unanimously 9-0:

<i>SOS Activity Center – Catholic Family Services</i>	\$ 37,000
<i>Food NET Program – PRPC</i>	\$ 25,000
<i>FAST Program – Family Support Services</i>	\$ 8,000
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Neighborhood Improvements

\$98,031

Chairman Allen said that all projects would be discussed and comments from the public and committee would be heard before any motions were made.

<i>Maverick – Restroom Renovations</i>	\$ 0	
Vic Allcorn, 1923 Linda, said that he would like to share with everyone that today 250 children stayed all day for the summer program and last year 60 children attended the summer program.		
<i>Canyons Retirement Community Renovations</i>	\$ 0	
<i>Sinclair Builders – Affordable Housing Infrastructure (Belaire)</i>	\$ 0	
<i>YMCA – Midtown Aquatic Facility Renovations</i>	\$ 0	\$98,031
<i>YMCA – North Branch Fitness Center Expansion</i>	\$ 0	

Samantha Anrell, 6600 Plum Creek, stated that her two children love going to the North Branch. It is growing and they need some funding assistance to make it better.

There were no further public comments or questions by committee.

Dub Taylor and Clem Whitaker said that they felt the committee should fund the amount that Maverick wanted for renovations. Chairman Allen stated that the soccer field was not being used at the Maverick and felt that we would not be putting funding where most needed. Dub Taylor replied that we would be putting an investment into the children. They are in good standing and under new leadership. Need a chance to prove themselves. Chuck Parr stated that the committee needed more proof that the Maverick was spending their money properly before we give them more funding.

Motion by Dub Taylor, seconded by Clem Whitaker, to recommend \$132,758 funding for Maverick restroom renovations, did not pass 3-6.

Chuck Parr recommended YMCA Midtown funding for \$58,000 with the condition that they raise balance and funding would be changed to \$440,076. Thomas Jones recommending YMCA Midtown funding of \$98,031 with the condition that they raise balance and ERG funding would be changed to \$400,045. Chairman Allen asked Ms. Coffman how this adjustment to funding would affect her. Deon Coffman replied that they needed as much funding as possible. Lani Hall said that maybe could split ½ & ½ of ERG and Owner Occupied. Deon Coffman said yes. Lani Hall recommended for YMCA Midtown \$98,031 and required to raise rest for project, reduce ERG to \$449,076 and reduce Owner Occupied to \$285,969. Chairman Allen asked what time frame would it be. Vicki Covey replied can raise funds until January. Chairman Allen asked if six months or more to fund raise. Ms. Covey replied that January is a commitment of funds. Clem Whitaker asked once the January 2011 in position, can it be extended. Lani Hall answered doesn't have to extended.

Motion by Lani Hall, seconded by Glenda Grisham, to recommend that YMCA Midtown receive funding of \$98,031 with the stipulation that they raise funds of \$50,000 and have in place by January 2011, passed 8-1.

Owner Occupied Housing Improvements		\$901,590
<i>Emergency Repair Grant</i>	\$498,076	\$449,078
<i>Owner Occupied Minor Housing Rehabilitation Grants</i>	\$335,000	\$285,969
<i>Rehabilitation Support</i>	\$166,545	\$166,545

There were no public comments or questions from the committee.

Motion by Lani Hall, seconded by Glenda Grisham, to recommend ERG funding of \$449,076, Owner Occupied Minor Housing Rehabilitation Grants funding of \$285,969, and Rehabilitation Support funding of \$166,545, passed 8-1.

Planning and Management		\$388,924
<i>2010-2011 Administration and Planning</i>	\$388,924	

There were no public comments or questions from the committee.

Motion by Chuck Parr, seconded by Lani Hall, to recommend funding of \$388,924 for 2010-2011 Administration and Planning, passed 8-1.

Chairman James Allen thanked the attendees for coming and encouraged all to attend the July 20, 2010 City Commission hearing at 3:00pm in which the final allocations will be made.

With no further business to come before the committee, Chairman Allen adjourned the meeting at 8:55pm.