

MINUTES

On August 27, 2019 the Community Development Advisory Committee met at 5:30PM at the Downtown Library, 413 SE 4th Avenue, Harrington Library Consortium Room for a Work Session to review agenda items and consideration of future agenda items. The board then met at 6:30PM for a Public Hearing.

VOTING MEMBERS	PRESENT	NO. MEETINGS HELD SINCE APPOINTMENT 2018-2019	NO. OF MEETINGS ATTENDED
1. David Chapman	Y	4	1
2. Mildred Darton	Y	4	5
3. Jinger White	Y	4	1
4. Glenda Grisham	Y	4	1
5. Ludell Hill	Y	4	3
6. MaryJane Nelson	Y	4	3
7. Rudy Preciado	Y	4	5

Also in attendance were the following Staff Members:

<u>Juliana Kitten</u>	Community Development Director
<u>Vanessa Robinson</u>	CDBG Program Coordinator, Community Development
<u>Amanda Rue</u>	HOME Program Coordinator, Community Development
<u>Amy Dixon</u>	HMIS Coordinator, Community Development
<u>Alan Huntington</u>	Administrative Assistant I, Community Development

Citizens in attendance: 12

ITEM 1: Call to Order. Juliana Kitten established a quorum and called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Community Development Advisory Committee to order at 6:30 pm.

ITEM 2: Appointment of Chair of CDAC Committee. Ludell Hill was appointed provisional chair for the purposes of the meeting.

ITEM 3: Approval of minutes from August 7, 2019 meeting. Motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Rudy Preciado, seconded by Mary Jane Nelson, and unanimously carried to approve such minutes.

ITEM 4: Public Hearing on project funding recommendations.

David Chapman moved, and Mary Jane Nelson seconded, that the staff recommendation for the Community Improvement Inspector receive \$75,482.00 and Demolition and Clearance receive \$150,000.00. There were no public comments and the motion passed unanimously.

The Public Services Category was taken up next, with the following comments:

Vic Alcorn, Catholic Family Services, highlighted his intent, with added funds, to be a player and provide food for the formerly homeless in the Coming Home program.

Sundy Rossi, Area Agency on Aging, 415 SW 8th, asked a question.

Rita Bryant, Maverick, 2028 S Austin #703, asked a question.

Junie Harrison, Guyon Saunders Resource Center, 200 S Tyler St, thanked the board for their funds but requested more funds to create a hub for resources for the homeless, including housing.

Donna Soria, Maverick Boys and Girls Club, 1923 S Lincoln, reported 326 children per day in the summer program and 200 on the waiting list, with 25 in homeless shelters.

Heather Reed, PRPC, 415 SW 8th, distinguished PRPC's mission as educational and not simply as providing childcare.

Marin Rivas, PRPC, 415 SW 8th, made a statement during public comment, after which it was indicated that each organization would have only one comment when they were up to speak.

Sundy Rossi, PRPC Foodnet program for the Area Agency on Aging, 415 SW 8th, said that across the country, this is one of the high-priority CDBG items, and that seniors have a sincere need even if it is not directly related to homelessness.

Vic Alcorn, Catholic Family Services, also asked a question.

Liz Alaniz, Wesley Community Center, 1615 S Roberts, urged the application of CDBG funds to provide transportation services to an often-overlooked portion of the population, helping many seniors from being homebound.

Manny DeLaSantos, speaking as a member of the community, 3401 S Hill, made a statement in favor of the Wesley Community Center.

Juliana Kitten, Community Development Director, promoted Coming Home as a solution to homelessness, with all residents retaining housing.

David Chapman moved, and Glenda Grisham seconded, to accept the staff recommendations, the staff recommendations were presented as follows:

- a. Catholic Family Services – Interfaith Hunger Project-\$35,000.00
- b. Transportation for the Homeless-\$1,000.00
- c. GSRC Dayroom-\$23,000.00
- d. Maverick Club-\$10,000.00
- e. PRPC Child Care-\$60,000.00
- f. PRPC FoodNet-\$20,000.00
- g. Wesley Community Center – Senior Citizens-\$0.00
- h. Coming Home-\$93,000

Discussion of the motion followed. Rudy Preciado proposed to amend the motion to take \$10,000.00 from the PRPC Child Care and distribute it to the Maverick Club and PRPC Foodnet in the amount of \$5,000.00 each. Jinger White seconded the amendment. The amended motion failed with 3 in favor and 4 opposed. The original motion to accept the staff's recommendations failed with 3 in favor and 4 opposed. Jinger White moved, and Rudy Preciado seconded a motion to alter the distribution in the Public Services as follows:

- a. Catholic Family Services – Interfaith Hunger Project-\$35,000.00
- b. Transportation for the Homeless-\$0.00
- c. GSRC Dayroom-\$23,000.00
- d. Maverick Club-\$15,000.00
- e. PRPC Child Care-\$60,000.00
- f. PRPC FoodNet-\$25,000.00
- g. Wesley Community Center – Senior Citizens-\$0.00
- h. Coming Home-\$84,887.00

The motion carried with 5 in favor and 2 opposed.

The Neighborhood Improvements category was taken up next.

Manny DeLaSantos, from ABCD, fielded questions from the advisory board.

Liz Alaniz, who had previously appeared on behalf of Wesley Community Center, commented in favor of ABCD and distinguished ABCD in its mission from her organization's mission.

The Advisory Board chose to take up the remaining categories and vote on them all together. The members proceeded to consider Owner Occupied Improvements. There were no public comments for any of these projects.

David Chapman moved, and Mary Jane Nelson seconded, that the remaining CDBG projects be funded as follows:

- a. Another Chance House-\$67,250.00
- b. Amarillo Barrio Community Development (ABCD) – Multi-purpose Facility-\$0.00
- c. Emergency Repair Grants-\$412,298.00
- d. Housing Rehabilitation Assistance – Minor-\$262,298.00
- e. Rehabilitation Support Administration-\$85,182.00
- f. Wai Wai – North Heights Rehab of Apartment Complex-\$0.00

The motion carried unanimously.

Jinger White moved, and Rudy Preciado seconded, the following staff recommendations for HOME Funding:

- a. Rapid Rehousing-\$0.00
- b. Housing Rehabilitation Assistance-\$0.00
- c. Rental Rehabilitation-\$40,822.00
- d. New Construction-\$410,535.00

The following CHDO projects were also included in the motion:

- a. Amarillo Habitat Operating – Lee Green Addition-\$32,340.00
- b. Amarillo Habitat Projects – Lee Green Addition - \$96,720.00

The motion passed unanimously. Administrative costs for all programs were also included in their categories and approved.

ITEM 5: Adjournment. There being no further business, Juliana Kitten adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m. This meeting was recorded and all comments are on file with the Community Development Department.

ATTEST:

Juliana Kitten, Community Development Director