

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

October 20, 2020

In Attendance

Councilman Erskine Oglesby, Committee Chair, called the electronic-conducted (virtual) meeting to order at 3:51 p.m. A quorum was present that included Council Chairman Chip Henderson, Vice-Chairman Ken Smith, and Council members Carol Berz, Anthony Byrd, Russell Gilbert, Darrin Ledford, and Jerry Mitchell, and Erskine Oglesby, Jr. Also present via electronic means were Phil Noblett, City Attorney; Lydia Christoph, Administrative Support; and Keren Campbell, Council Support Specialist. Councilwoman Demetrus Coonrod joined the meeting after the call to order.

Approval of Minutes

On motion of Councilman Gilbert and seconded by Councilman Ledford, the minutes of the last meeting (October 13, 2020) were approved as published.

Others in Attendance (via electronic means)

Economic and Community Development: Donna Williams, Administrator; Mayor's Office: Tyler Yount, Civic Engagement Coordinator

Resolutions - Agenda Item 7A, 7B, 7C & 7D

These items had been discussed at previous open meetings. Upon no questions or comments, the issues were closed.

Next Week's Agenda: October 27, 2020

Resolutions - Agenda Item 7A & 7B

These items had been discussed at previous open meetings. Upon no questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Other

Councilwoman Berz informed Mr. Noblett that District 6 needed to be reflected in the notations of the Enterprise South items. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

CDBG Grant Award

Ms. Williams and Mr. Yount gave a presentation on the CDBG Grant Award that covered the following:

- What is it
- The Funds

- Proposed Use: Emergency Shelter
- Emergency Shelter has been identified as a Key Community Priority
- How it Would Work
- High Level Budget
- Moving Forward

A discussion ensued wherein the Council addressed the following questions and concerns:

- Housing Authority able to manage (Councilman Mitchell)
- Taking on Partners (Councilman Mitchell)
- Purchase Price for Something Bigger (Councilman Mitchell)
- Security (Councilman Ledford)
- Health Services (Councilman Ledford)
- Larger Room Accommodating Families (Councilman Ledford)
- Liability (Councilman Ledford)
- Mechanism Identifying those Eligible (Councilman Ledford)
- Long Term Funding (Councilman Henderson)
- Referral Process (Councilman Henderson)
- Qualification (Councilman Henderson)
- Funding (Councilman Henderson)
- Length of Contract (Councilman Henderson)
- Room Availability (Councilman Byrd)
- Expanding Land (Councilman Byrd)
- Possible Budget Limitations (Councilman Oglesby)
- Renovation Cost (Councilman Oglesby)
- Operational Cost (Councilman Oglesby)

Chairman Henderson requested the link to other cities that are already taking advantage of this. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Councilman Oglesby adjourned the meeting at 4:34 p.m.

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