

# CITY OF FULLERTON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CITIZENS' COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 23, 2024

Fullerton City Council Chamber 303 West Commonwealth Avenue Fullerton, California

6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER Chair Calhoun called the

meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL** 

Present:

Chair Calhoun, Blay, and Hanzo

Absent:

Vice-Chair Pascual and Planchon

Staff Present:

Sunayana Thomas; Director of Community and Economic Development; Linda Cordova, Housing Consultant; Jessica Cuevas. Administrative Assistant

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** 

Chair Calhoun opened the public comments at 6:31 p.m.

Curtis Gamble spoke about meeting funding agencies that provide homeless services and various housing options.

Maureen Milton inquired if the applicants submit their ratings to staff.

There were no more comments and Chair Calhoun closed the public comments period at 6:36 p.m.

Presented

OATH OF OFFICE

The Oath of Office will be rescheduled to the January 30, 2024 Community Development Citizens' Committee Meeting.

Presented

SCHEDULE AND ROLE OF THE CDCC

The CDCC will meet at Fullerton City Hall, City Council Chambers (First Floor), on the dates publicized. All meetings will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Housing Consultant, Linda Cordova, provided a PowerPoint presentation that included the CDCC Fiscal Year 2024 meeting schedule. She also explained to the Community Development Citizens' Committee their role and responsibilities. The CDCC Members will receive guidance from Housing staff. City staff informed the CDCC Members they will not develop or implement new programs. The CDCC Members role and responsibilities include review of HUD required documents, CDBG applications and program progress. CDCC Members will also recommend funding, which will be presented to Fullerton City Council for approval.

- January 30 Presentations by Non-Profit Agencies.
- February 13 Presentations by Non-Profit Agencies and distribution of City of Fullerton applications.
- February 27 Presentations by City of Fullerton applicants.
- March 12 Determination of CDBG funding recommendations.
- March 26 (If Necessary) Determination of CDBG funding recommendations.
- May 7 (Tentative) City Council Public Hearing, presentation of Committee funding recommendations.

Presented and Election of Chair Pascual and Vice-Chair Blay

INTRODUCTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND ELECTION OF 2024 OFFICER

Community Development Citizens' Committee Members Dr. Victoria Calhoun, Tiffany Blay, and Patricia Hanzo, gave a brief self-introduction to city staff and members of the public.

It was moved by Chair Calhoun to elect Vice Chair Pascual as Chair. It was moved by Committee Member Hanzo to elect Committee Member Blay as Vice Chair.

Motion carried 3-2, Pascual and Planchon absent.

Presented

PUBLIC HEARING 2022-2023 CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION

REPORT (CAPER), 2020-2024 FIVE-YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN, 2023 ONE YEAR ACTION PLAN

Housing Consultant Cordova presented the 2022-2023 Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER). 2020-2024 Five-Year Consolidated Plan, and 2023 One Year Action Plan update. She provided a PowerPoint presentation and gave an overview of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) guidelines and Community Development Block Grant CARES Act (CDBG-CV) status.

She explained the CDBG national objectives and provided examples of eligible activities. She noted that the City of Fullerton receives a CDBG allocation of approximately \$1.3 million a year. Guidelines for HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) were discussed. The City of Fullerton receives an allocation of approximately \$550,000 a year.

The City of Fullerton was allocated \$2,065,114 of CDBG-CV funding. CDBG-CV funded eligible programs such as Meal Programs, Emergency Rental Assistance, Homeless Assistance, Administration, Rehabilitation of Facilities, and Economic Development.

The City of Fullerton was allocated \$1,954,345 of HOME Investment Partnerships American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) funding. HOME-ARP funding will be allocated to eligible activities such as Affordable Rental Housing, Tenant-Based rental Assistance, Supportive Services, and Non-congregate Shelter.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Vice Chair Blay opened the public comments at 7:11 p.m.

Curtis Gamble spoke about CDBG funding allocation that the City of Fullerton receives. He also spoke about allocating CDBG funding to agencies that provide homeless services and housing options.

Kurt Johnston spoke about various housing options such as shared housing and single dwellings in the City of Fullerton.

Maureen Milton spoke about housing accommodations and opposition of multi-use housing.

There were no more comments and Vice Chair Blay closed the public comments period at 7:19 p.m.

### Presented

# REVIEW OF FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 NON-PROFIT APPLICATIONS

The Committee received requests for CDBG funding from the following sixteen non-profit organizations.

- Action Alliance Foundation, Project Hope (\$25,000)
- Boys and Girls Club of Fullerton, After-School Program (\$50,000)
- Bridge Boxing Club, The Bridge Boxing Club (\$78,000)
- CARE Housing Services, Inc., Fullerton City Lights Social Services Program (\$50,000)
- Community SeniorServ, Inc.- DBA Meals on Wheels OC, Lunch Café Program (\$30,000)
- Fair Housing Foundation, Fair Housing Program (\$20,000)
- Hart Community Homes, Monkey Business Café Program (\$45,000)
- Homeless Intervention Services of OC, Intensive Street-Based Case Management (\$200,000)
- Lutheran Social Services, Victims Intervention Project (\$20,000)
- Mercy House Living Centers, Inc., Bridges at Kraemer Place Program (\$10,000)
- MOMS Orange County, Maternal Child Health Coordination Program (\$10,000)
- OC United, Love Fullerton (\$30,000)
- Pathways of Hope, Regional Homeless Services Coordination (\$50,000)
- Recovery Road, Inc., Recovery Road Food Pantry Project (\$25,000)
- Stand Up for Kids, Homeless Youth- Journey to Self-Sufficiency (\$21,711)
- YMCA of Orange County, Maple YMCA Youth Achievers Programs (\$15,000)

## STAFF/COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS

Committee Member Hanzo asked if the Valencia Park Improvement Project was completed. Staff will provide that information to her. She also informed the members of the public that the Housing Element Meeting will be held on Thursday, January 25, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. located at the Fullerton Public Library.

## AGENDA FORECAST

Community Development Block Grant Non-Profit applicants will present to the Committee Members at the January 30, 2024 meeting.

7:41 p.m.

## ADJOURNMENT -

Vice-Chair Blay adjourned the meeting at 7:41 p.m. next Community Development Citizens' Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 30, 2024, at 6:30 p.m., Fullerton City Hall. Council Chamber (First Floor), 303 West Commonwealth Avenue, Fullerton, California

Jessica Cuevas, Clerk to the Community Development

Citizens' Committee