



City of Madison Meeting Minutes - Final

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT COMMISSION

Friday, September 16, 2005

12:00 PM

215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room 303 (Madison Municipal Building)

WELCOME - CHAIR'S REPORT

Estante called the special meeting to order.

Present: Ald. Austin W. King, Ald. Cindy Thomas, Kristina L. Dux, Sophia Angelina Estante, Carl G. Silverman and Justin O. Markofski

Excused: Santiago Rosas, Richard V. Brown, Sr., Arthur V. Robinson and Steven C. Bartlett

ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENT

SPECIAL FOCUS ITEM

Hurie and Charnitz reviewed the origin and evolution of the resolution referred to the CDBG Commission by the Council. The resolution started as a query to the Mayor's Office and the Director of Planning and Development from the CDBG Office regarding possible City actions and alternatives to the scheduled sheriff's sale on the second of the Friends Allied Drive properties to undergo foreclosure. Friends had sought Mayoral Office assistance in late spring of 2004 but after several discussions, the organization decided to sell its properties and close down its operations.

Staff reviewed several options that had been discussed regarding the use of the site, including a proposal from Operation Fresh Start to convert the 8-unit to four condos, and one from the Innovative Initiatives group to work with the neighborhood association to operate the building as interim housing to help stabilize families in the neighborhood.

The original Mayor's Office discussion broadened into recognition of the need for a new planning process that would involve the many competing interests and perspectives for neighborhood change in the Allied area. In addition, a Hauk proposal to the CD Office for the first phase of a conversion of the four-building Westbrook property into condos presented the City with an opportunity to discuss acquisition or site control for about 20 percent of the area's housing units.

The resulting recommendations were integrated into a single resolution to negotiate an option on the Hauk property, fund a planning process, and acquire the 8-unit building.

Substitute: Authorizing the City of Madison to use \$100,000 of available TIF funds to hire a consulting firm to assist City staff and the community in the development of a redevelopment implementation plan for the Allied area, and further authorizing the City of Madison to use up to \$150,000 of CDBG funds to acquire the property at 2330-34 Allied Drive for approximately \$35,000 and relocate the current tenants for approximately \$35,000 and demolish the

property for approximately \$80,000, and amending the 2005 Planning and Development Capital Budget, project #15, "TID 29-Allied Terrace," to provide for the additional expenditure of \$100,000 from TIF funds.

Clarify that the amounts for acquisition, demolition, relocation and related costs were figures up to those amounts, and not necessarily the actual amounts to be used.

A motion was made by Ald. Thomas, seconded by Ald. King, to Return to Lead with the Following Recommendation(s) to the BOARD OF ESTIMATES. The motion passed by acclamation.

STAFF REPORT

ADJOURNMENT

The Commission's next meeting is October 6.