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Meeting Minutes - Approved COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT COMMITTEE

*Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?
Who does not have a voice at the table?
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

Thursday, January 9, 2025

5:30 PM

Virtual meeting

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Staff present: Jim O'Keefe, John Vogt, Maria Davila, Matt Frater, Hardy Garrison, Ben Doing, Linette Rhodes

Campbell called the meeting to order at 5:30pm with a quorum present.

Present: 7 - Dina Nina Martinez-Rutherford; John P. Guequierre; Angela K. Jones; Jennifer H. Campbell; Tiffany D. Malone; Megan N. Miller and Matthew J. Phair

Excused: 1 - Nikki Conklin

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Phair and seconded by Jones to Approve the minutes of December 5, 2024. Motion passed by voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. [86577](#) Public Comment

None

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

Alder Guequierre disclosed that in regards to item 86356 -- the alder's consulting company has done some minor projects with Hope Community Capital and the principal, Carrie Sanders, is a personal friend, but that this will not impact the alder's decision.

Jones disclosed that the Urban League, in terms of funding, are in Jones' United Way portfolio, however United Way is not investing in the Black Business Hub.

Jennifer Campbell disclosed that their employer, Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC), are an anchor tenant in the Black Business Hub, but that WEDC has no relationship with the shared commercial kitchen.

NEW BUSINESS

2. [86356](#) Awarding up to \$4,160,497 in federal HOME Investment Partnerships Program grant funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), as allocated to the City of Madison by the American Rescue Plan Act (a/k/a HOME-ARP), to Housing Initiatives, Inc. to support the development of 16 units of affordable housing and supportive services; and authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to enter into agreements to implement the development project (District 12).

Attachments: [Housing Initiatives Application NTC.pdf](#)

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Motion passed unanimously.

3. [86357](#) Approving a loan of up to \$300,000 to the Urban League of Greater Madison from the Community Facilities Loan Program to help finance the buildout of a shared commercial kitchen at the Black Business Hub located at 2352 South Park Street; and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign an agreement for that purpose. (District 14)

Attachments: [City of Madison CFLP Application - ULGM Shared Kitchen - Signed.pdf](#)

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Motion passed unanimously.

4. [86579](#) Completion of Statement of Interest reminder

John Vogt provided a reminder to committee members to complete their Statement of Interest form.

5. [86580](#) Eviction Defense and Diversion Program (EDDP) Closure

Attachments: [Presentation - EDDP Closure and Outcomes - CDBG Committee 1-9-2025.ppt](#)

Matt Frater provided an update regarding the closure timeline of Tenant Resource Center's EDDP, and gave a summary of the Emergency Rental Assistance Programs, including an overview of the Dane CORE 2.0 program, and data on the number of households served.

6. [86581](#) Telling Our Story/50th Anniversary

Maria Davila discussed the work and strategies of the Community Development Division (CDD) equity team's Racial Equity & Social Justice Initiative, "Telling Our Story," an initiative to bridge the gap in knowledge about what CDD and its partners do, by communicating with the public the value and scope of our work.

This initiative aligns with this year's 50th anniversary of a milestone within the Community Development Division: the city of Madison receiving community development block grant funding. This year also coincides with 50th anniversary dates for the formation of CDD's childcare unit and community resources unit.

In order to commemorate, we are hoping to hold a celebration in April 2025.

7. [86582](#) 2025 Workplan

Attachments: [Year-at-a-Glance CDBG Committee 2025_updated 1-9-2025 .pdf](#)

John Vogt provided an overview of the workplan, including an update that the February meeting will be in person in order to hold a public hearing regarding the consolidated plan.

Vogt also briefly reviewed the four request for proposals (RFPs) the division has coming up this year.

8. [86578](#) Staff Report

No staff report, just a thank you from Jim O'Keefe to CDD staff for providing coverage on the committee while staff is re-deployed.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Phair, and seconded by Alder Martinez-Rutherford to Adjourn the meeting at 6:29pm. Motion passed unanimously.