

Meeting Minutes - Approved COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT COMMITTEE

Thursday, April 5, 2012	5:00 PM	215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
		Room 260 (Madison Municipal Building)

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL STAFF: Dungan, Hurie, Kenny, Wallinger

Markofski called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. He introduced Liz Dannenbaum as a new member of the Committee, and Dannenbaum said she retired in January from the Middleton Public Library where she worked for 24 years. She said she wanted to do something else civic, and Mayor Soglin was good enough to appoint her to this Committee.

Present: 8 -

Shiva Bidar-Sielaff; Matthew J. Phair; Robert M. Hunter; Monya A. Choudhury; Liz Dannenbaum; Daniel A. O'Callaghan; Justin O. Markofski and Russ Whitesel

Excused: 1 -

Tim Bruer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Phair moved to approve the March 1, 2012 minutes. Whitesel seconded with one small change. He said at the end he distinctly remembers moving to adjourn in honor of Pam Rood, and wondered if we could add that note to those minutes. The Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes with Whitesel's addition to the adjournment.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments were saved for the public hearing portion of the meeting.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There were no disclosures or recusals.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 1. <u>25763</u>
- Public Hearing: Substantial amendment to City's Consolidated Plan 2011 Action Plan

to include allowable ESG-funded activities.

The Committee agreed to hear comments for both public hearings at once.

Greta Hansen of Community Action Coalition (CAC) and Steve Schooler of Porchlight spoke together about the substantial amendments. Hansen passed around a statistics sheet about CAC's financial assistance from last year. CAC serves as the lead agency for the rentable consortium. She said they are able to help about 15% of people eligible to receive eviction prevention assistance, rent subsidy assistance, or entry cost assistance. She said she was here to ask the Committee to hold in context the vast number of people who have need for one-time assistance and then their lives are improved so that they don't have to come back for awhile.

Steve Schooler said the RFP essentially asks that the money be utilized for eviction prevention assistance as well as rental subsidy assistance for getting homeless people into housing. The model is really the HPRP model from a couple of years ago from the Obama stimulus package. The stimulus money which we spent was fairly successful in helping people to stay in housing or to get into housing. He said he and Greta were here basically to support the proposal. Other folks are advocating using this money to create single room occupancy (SRO) housing either through a hotel or a motel. While he agrees there's a need for SRO housing, he said he's not convinced that that would be the best use of these funds right now. Trying to buy a hotel and make it operational would be difficult, and this is one-time funding, so he isn't sure how an SRO would maintain itself. The best utilization of these funds is for eviction prevention and trying to move people into housing.

The only thing Schooler suggested changing about the proposal was to expand the service area to include adjacent communities, like the Town of Madison, Town of Burke, and the cities of Middleton, Monona, and Fitchburg. His rationale for including them is that these are such close communities in terms of transportation and housing that it makes more sense and is more workable.

Bidar-Sielaff asked about the data and success of the previous iteration with the stimulus funds. She asked Hansen about one-time assistance and whether it was truly helpful. Hansen said yes, it is helpful. She said a lot of people did need some longer-term assistance, but one-term assistance was good. CAC alone receives over 16,000 calls from people seeking assistance.

Whitesel asked what "EP" and "EC" stand for, and Hansen said eviction prevention and entry costs (first month's rent and security deposit).

Bidar-Sielaff asked about funding for surrounding communities.

Schooler said that CDD funding is sometimes mixed and matched with other funding to assist people in other communities. He said that boundary lines don't make sense with homelessness. Someone who is homeless in the Town of Madison or City of Fitchburg is going to end up in Madison ultimately.

O'Callaghan asked if CDD funding was allowed to serve outside communities.

Wallinger explained that the City gets ESG funds from HUD and the State, whereas Dane County doesn't get ESG funding. CDD is allowed to serve county-wide with State funds. She also noted that the Committee used stimulus dollars in contiguous jurisdictions.

Bidar-Sielaff said the stimulus funds were a large sum of money, whereas this pot of money is not.

Schooler said it makes it considerably easier to help a person if we don't have to worry about whether or not they're under the jurisdiction of Madison.

Mary Jo Walters said she learned from Brenda Konkel about this meeting. She said she has questions for the Committee. She asked how long the Committee had funded homeless projects, and Bidar-Sielaff said forever. She then asked if there were a housing division within the city that also deals with homeless projects.

Choudhury said there is a Community Development Authority (CDA), which is a different department from CDD.

Wallinger said the vast majority of homeless projects come to the CDBG Committee for consideration.

Walters said she lives at Occupy Madison. She said she doesn't represent Occupy Madison, but she has questions about the RFP. She said some of the language in the RFP is prohibitive in terms of Occupy Madison applying for funding. She said Occupy Madison is not a non-profit and would like to remain so, but not having non-profit status we can't apply. She asked if this was a one-shot federal funding, and Wallinger said yes.

Walters asked about the funding for the thirteen agencies.

Wallinger clarified that that request is actually a separate resolution that the Committee will consider next and represents the City's application to the State for ESG funds, this is a separate process that started in January.

Walters said that Occupy Madison doesn't need that much money at all because they are so self-sufficient in terms of donations. Occupy Madison is a well-run machine right now, and we have 60 people staying at our site. Mostly what they need money for is port-a-potties.

Wallinger said ESG can only pay for certain activities, and port-a-potties are not on the list of eligible possibilities.

Walters asked if they needed to lobby more at the federal level for funding, and Choudhury said yes, because that is where decisions are made regarding use of funding.

Walters said that what Occupy Madison has learned is that people need communal living, as found at their site. Walters also asked if the language in the RFP could be changed to accommodate an application from them, and Wallinger said the language in the RFP is there because of federal requirements. Jeremy Evenson said he voluntarily stays at Occupy Madison and helps administer it. He said they have some security problems because we allow everybody, unlike Porchlight. We have people come as they are. If they're drunk, we let them stay as long as they're not being disorderly. We don't let them freeze. He said he had a good friend of his die December 23 on the front steps of Monona Terrace. He said Occupy Madison is very low budget. Evenson said that the homeless don't trust people at Porchlight or society per se, and he himself has street credibility with the homeless. He said it's a day-to-day thing, and we try to do what we do. And hoped the Committee could help.

Markofski asked if there was something specific Evenson was requesting, and Evenson said it would help if Occupy Madison had its own plot of land to set up a tent city and port-a-potties.

Hunter asked who would actually get the plot of land, and Evenson said that the Committee would have to hire someone outside to administer it because Occupy Madison doesn't have the necessary leadership.

Dace Zeps said the reason she's here is because the outside world has changed drastically, and people who never thought they'd be facing homelessness are becoming homeless. She said she was here tonight to talk about single room occupancy as something the City could do to alleviate the problem or add an easier step. She said we used to have a lot of SROs here in Madison, but that building was torn down, and now we have the Department of Administration sitting there. SROs could also house families with kids if we'd allow it. People are at a desperate stage right now. It's not easy, and it's really scary. It's mind-boggling that we have property and ideas, but people can't be safe, and people die. That's just wrong.

2. <u>25764</u> Public Hearing: Substantial amendment to City's Consolidated Plan 2012 Action Plan to include allowable ESG-funded activities.

Look at Legistar 25763 for comments.

3. <u>25716</u> Approve substantial amendment to City's Consolidated Plan 2011 Action Plan to include allowable ESG-funded activities; authorize the Mayor to sign the amendment; and authorize the CD Division to issue a request for proposals.

Markofski asked Wallinger to give the particulars of what the Committee is asked to do.

Wallinger said that the Committee has received these substantial amendments because Congress actually increased the amount of money that was available for homeless programs. For 2011, HUD announced the City would receive a similar amount as in 2010. Once new regulations were written and published, the City would be notified of a second allocation, which came in February. The second allocation included \$45,000, to which the CDBG Unit added about \$12,000 in funds that were originally allocated to rehab projects that did not proceed.

Wallinger said that in 2012 the City got a larger amount than anticipated during

the 2011 -12 summer funding process. CDD is proposing to combine those pots of money, which comes to a little over \$121,000, and use it for the revised purposes for the Emergency Solutions Grant. She handed out a one-page summary of what the funds could be used for, including street outreach, emergency shelter, homeless prevention, rapid re-housing, and HMIS-eligible activities. Staff is recommending the rapid re-housing, meaning moving homeless people into housing quickly, and the eviction prevention activities. The reasons for these recommendations are (1) we had a lot of success with the stimulus funds; (2) we have a really good infrastructure in our Consortium; and (3) HUD is highly recommending that we use the funds for rapid re-housing purposes.

Choudhury asked if the Continuum of Care agencies are earnestly struggling to get their data managed using the HMIS system. Wallinger said no, they are not struggling.

Wallinger said that staff is asking that you either approve or amend the two substantial amendments and the draft RFP. Whitesel asked if we should take action on them together, and Wallinger said yes.

Whitesel moved to approve the substantial amendments for 2011 and 2012, authorize the Mayor to sign the amendment, and authorize the CD Division to issue a request for proposals. Hunter seconded.

Choudhury said she remembers when Dane County had a need maybe 15 years ago to track individuals through the non-profit service provision system, and the administration of the tracking was beyond the resources of a number of agencies in town. She would like to see us find a way to retain efficiency, whether it means keeping it within the city or not.

Bidar-Sielaff said that although we clearly live in a metro area, funding individuals or programs outside the city is a slippery slope for the City of Madison. She said that agencies will have to track where the assisted individuals live. We're being very helpful to agencies by freeing up some other sources for people who live outside the city. She said she would be okay with a compromise that would include the Town of Madison because a lot of people facing eviction live in the Town of Madison and the City of Madison already has plans for annexing the Town. She said she could not support using these limited funds for Fitchburg, Middleton, and Monona, with nothing against those municipalities. It's just that there are a number of people within Madison who could really use these funds.

Hunter said that in the context of giving money for people who are homeless, it doesn't matter where they are if they are homeless. What you are looking at is where they are going to be housed.

Bidar-Sielaff said there are two populations: already homeless for whom the programs are trying to do re-housing and potentially homeless who are in housing and need funds to stay that way.

Hunter said that for those in housing, programs would be looking at where the individual seeking assistance currently lives.

Wallinger said in a practical sense, suppose the Jones family came to CAC for

assistance because of an eviction notice, and CAC determined that but for this assistance, the family would become homeless. If the family lived outside of the City of Madison, then they would be ineligible for these funds if you limit the funds to people within the City of Madison only.

Dannenbaum said that it seemed to her that Schooler said that it would limit the number of places he could help people relocate to.

Markofski said it would also to make it necessary to relocate people to someplace in Madison proper.

Markofski asked the Committee if there was some consensus for leaving the RFP as is, which would essentially mean funding only within the City of Madison.

Whitesel said that the RFP states that funding be made available only the City of Madison, so not amending the RFP would state the Committee's position.

O'Callaghan said he wanted to address the people who came to the public hearing tonight and talk about how this money is going to be allocated. The Committee has these HUD-mandated public hearings pretty frequently, and usually no one shows up to speak. He said he thinks it's great that we had the members of the public who are interested in what's happening with their tax dollars and how they're being allocated. He wondered if the Committee could take a couple of minutes to discuss some of the other purposes for which this money could be used, not because he disagrees with the proposal, but because it would be helpful for him and those who came to the public hearing to understand a little bit more about the Street Outreach and Emergency Shelter categories. Under the Street Outreach category, some of the eligible activities seem to address what the Committee heard in the public hearing. He asked Wallinger to talk about it.

Wallinger said it's hard to look at the pots of ESG in isolation because we also have a pot from the State. The next agenda item that the Committee will consider is another \$478,000 of projects that are eligible and fall under the allowable activities. Within those projects are two new street outreach programs that are part of that application. The kinds of eligible activity that could serve Occupy Madison members would be street outreach, but the CDD would have to have a legal entity with whom it could contract because this is a contractual relationship. The money could be spent on outreach, emergency mental health services, and emergency AODA health services. The money could also be used to purchase property and operate it as an emergency shelter, whether it were SROs or something else. It could not be spent on transitional housing because that's no longer eligible. The Homeless Services Consortium has contended for many years that it does not want to add shelter beds, but rather wants to add beds to the transitional or supported permanent housing so that people don't have to be in shelter.

Bidar-Sielaff said that the City is not the biggest source of funding for homeless prevention in the area. She said the County and United Way also provide funding. There is some funding for street outreach for Tellurian and for emergency shelter. She said she feels there is still a deficit in the amount of shelter beds available on a daily basis. Bidar-Sielaff said that one of the biggest issues brought up tonight was creating SROs. She asked Wallinger for her thoughts on SROs.

Wallinger said there is a need for additional affordable SRO units and HOME and CDBG money can be used to fund such projects, for example Nakoosa Trail, where Porchlight is adding another 28 units of housing.

Bidar-Sielaff asked if the CDA ever discusses creation of SROs. Wallinger said she couldn't speak to that. Hurie said he had not heard discussions of creating SROs among the CDA.

Markofski said we have a motion and a second for approving the substantial amendments and authorizing the RFP. He asked if there were any further discussion. Hearing none, he asked for a vote. The item passed unanimously.

4. 25717 Approve substantial amendment to City's Consolidated Plan 2012 Action Plan to include allowable ESG-funded activities; authorize the Mayor to sign the amendment; and authorize the CD Division to issue a request for proposals.

Whitesel moved to approve the substantial amendments for 2011 and 2012, authorize the Mayor to sign the amendment, and authorize the CD Division to issue a request for proposals. Hunter seconded.

5. 25646 Authorizing the CD Division to submit an application to the state Division of Housing for Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), Transitional Housing Program (THP) and Homeless Prevention Program (HPP) funds on behalf of specific agencies providing housing and services to homeless persons.

Wallinger said that this year the State moved to a formula-driven process instead of a competition, and we have benefited greatly with almost more than double what we received last year. CDD actually received a little more than \$2,000 over what had originally been reported, so the total is \$478,759. The additional funds went to the CAC Rentable program for financial assistance.

Bidar-Sielaff asked about the United Way funding.

Wallinger said that is new. Last year's application allowed us to compete for a separate pot of money for rapid re-housing of families, and United Way is the lead agency for the three family shelter providers, the YWCA, The Salvation Army, and The Road Home. The United Way was the applicant for last year's money, money which we've just been notified that we got this year. This program serves 45 families with case management and financial assistance. The use of the money is not different from what we've done in the past. It's just that United Way is serving as the fiscal agent.

Bidar-Sielaff disclosed that she sits on the United Way Vision Council and asked why they needed to serve as fiscal agent for existing organizations who are their own non-profits. She said she doesn't understand why it needs to be pass-through money. She wondered why CDD wasn't giving the money directly to YWCA, The Salvation Army, and The Road Home. It seemed a little strange for the City, who is a funder, to give money to the United Way, who is also a funder, to then give money to service providers who already have relationships with CDD. Wallinger said it was done this way at the request of the four entities together.

Hunter asked if there were some administrative fees that would also be passed through.

Wallinger said she couldn't answer that, but if it's the Committee's preference that it not be that way, staff could entertain an alternate way to provide the funds to the agencies. Wallinger said that on the budget presented, there are no administrative fees. It's all requested for financial assistance and support services.

Whitesel asked if people who receive assistance think they're getting the assistance from United Way or from a government entity that actually got the money in the first place.

Wallinger said she believes that most people would think they are receiving the money from the agency that provided the assistance, like the YWCA or The Road Home.

Bidar-Sielaff said she wanted to make sure there is no administrative fee, and she also said it seems to her that the more hands the money passes through, the more complicated the process.

Bidar-Sielaff moved to approve with language in the United Way of Dane County contract that prevents any administrative fees. Hunter seconded. Unanimous.

6. <u>25725</u> Approve Underwriting Guidelines

Dungan said that the Committee received a memo explaining proposed staff changes to current underwriting guidelines. The first one is to limit loans to 30 years. The rationale for this change is to ensure that homeowner assistance funds are available to those residents most in need of assistance, and would exclude requests from residents with incomes that would qualify for 15 year mortgages. The second change, limiting a co-signer, is to ensure that CDD funds, are not used by families providing housing to children while they attend college. The medical collections increase from \$1,000 to \$5,000 reflects the realities of increasing cost of debts associated with medical care. Other than these 3 changes, these are the same guidelines the Committee previously approved.

Whitesel said he was troubled by who we might preclude with the 30-year mortgage requirement, such as someone who could get a 25-year mortgage. Dungan said that CDD generally doesn't see requests for 25-year mortgages.

Whitesel asked if CDD controls the mortgage terms and asked whether or not an individual could prepay their mortgage without penalty.

Dungan said that CDD doesn't control the terms of the first mortgage, that there is nothing in our loan terms that would preclude a homeowner from pre-paying on their loan if in the future their financial conditions improved to support the prepayment. Whitesel said that someone who is 50 years old might have trouble getting a 30-year mortgage.

Choudhury moved to approve the guidelines. O'Callaghan seconded. Unanimous.

7. 25726 Approve Residential Rehabilitation Standards

Dungan said this is the first time CDD office has established rehab standards, and the new standards are in response to requirements in HUD's HOME Rules. Housing staff started work on these standards last July, incorporating work from Dane County CDBG, the State, and City of Racine rehab standards. The proposed rehab standards were also reviewed by partner agencies and relevant City staff. These new standards would be implemented with any new residential rehab contracts in 2012, and will require agencies to certify that rehab work complies with the standards. Dungan stated that HUD is currently proposing additional changes to HOME Rules related to construction and rehab standards that will likely require additional compliance elements for local jurisdictions.

Bidar-Sielaff asked whether CDD consulted with other City departments like Zoning, Fire Department, and Building Inspection.

Dungan said the CDD did not run it by the Fire Department, but we did consult with Building Inspection and the Office of Economic Revitalization, as well as many of the housing agencies we contract with.

Choudhury said it was written to be a very accessible document.

Dungan said CDD still didn't have the time to include new energy efficiency standards, but we want to include many more of those types of standards with future revisions.

O'Callaghan said that it's not a good night for efficient government bureaucracy. He said the rehab standards strike him as completely unnecessary. He said there are so many regulations and standards currently in place, that this strikes him as covering other codes and rules that are already out there.

Dungan said HUD is requiring its participating jurisdictions to make sure they have standards.

O'Callaghan said he would still encourage CDD to use reasonable judgement with this document. This is just another layer of guidelines our program partners need to read and understand, and he doesn't think we should add to their burden.

Hunter pointed out that it's a requirement to have the standards.

O'Callaghan said if we have to have a document, then we have to have it.

Whitesel suggested adding to the title that these are just for "Division-Funded

Projects" and not for everyone who lives in the city.

	Dungan said that while rehab standards are required by HOME regulations,
	staff have decided to apply them to CDBG and other funding sources for consistency.
	O'Callaghan said we haven't had a problem so far with rehab, but Dungan suggest that we asked how we would know that.
	O'Callaghan asked if CDD is going to inspect for compliance with such limited resources.
	Dungan said that having the standards in place is all that HUD required so far, but in 2013, there may be more requirements to certify compliance with the rehab standards. She said that HUD is dealing with communities all across the country that may have building standards of varying quality.
	Choudhury asked how often we have to rewrite or submit these to HUD. She said she agrees with O'Callaghan and believes that we already have requirements for rehab in the Framework.
	Dungan said CDD doesn't have to give the document to HUD; we just have to have it in place.
	Whitesel asked if HUD asked them to be called "standards," or could they be something less global.
	Dungan said she wasn't sure, but she thought they had to be called "standards." She said she would check it out.
	O'Callaghan moved approval. Hunter seconded. Unanimous.
	Hurie said there was a series in the Washington Post about shoddy experiences in some jurisdictions. This is a reaction to that.
<u>25761</u>	CDBG 2012 April Staff Report
	Financials
	Dungan asked if there were any questions regarding the spreadsheet. The Committee commented for Dannenbaum's sake that this was a great document to use with funding proposals.
	Madison Ethics Code/Conflict of Interest
	Dungan said this Committee is excellent with regard to the Madison Ethics Code and conflicts of interest. This is being done across the Division with all the committees. The document the Committee received in its packet is just a reminder.

Neighborhood Indicators

Dungan said that Mary Charnitz provided the Committee with information on

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Neighborhood Indicators and asked if ithe committee was okay the Planning Department making their presentation to the Committee with their regularly scheduled presentations.

Choudhury said that the Neighborhood Indicators project gave a presentation to the Committee once already about the database and how the information could be really useful to us in the future. The Planning Department said they would return to the Committee once they had all their information ready for final presentation.

Whitesel said that Bruer's request for an update had to do with using the information in the funding process and the neighborhood study.

Phair asked what was going on with the neighborhood center study. He said he was hoping to hear from Lorri Wendorf-Corrigan this evening.

Hurie said we asked her not to attend with little new to report and to focus her time on other things. He said that Wendorf-Corrigan and other staff were going out for listening sessions at some of the libraries. They have about nine sessions to attend. They're asking people who use or are familiar with neighborhood centers to provide input. On another track we're also going to be looking at different models of systems and getting feedback from various committees and alders about these systems and ways that other cities relate to neighborhood centers.

O'Callaghan asked what systems and models means.

Hurie said maybe a city would only fund the physical infrastructure of a neighborhood center, or maybe a city would take responsibility for only a certain type of center, such as regional centers. Or on the flip side, centers that serve only low-income people in housing complexes.

O'Callaghan asked if that wasn't part of the study that's being done.

Bidar-Sielaff said that's why Phair asked for the update.

Phair and Bidar-Sielaff said that they both wanted Wendorf-Corrigan to report in May and June.

Phair said that Wendorf-Corrigan has had four or five listening sessions since last we met. He said he was at one on the southwest side a couple of days ago, and it would be good for the Committee to be updated.

Hurie said Wendorf-Corrigan doesn't have an aggregate of those responses yet, and Phair said it would still be good to hear a general anecdotal update of what's been going on.

Markofski asked if she could attend the next meeting with an update.

Hurie said the Mayor has asked him to take a closer look at the scope of the study, and to include a broader look at systems and roles rather than simply asking people what the needs are.

Phair said he thought that question was part of the study and doesn't

understand what's changed.

Bidar-Sielaff said that process-wise this Committee approved the framework of that study, and if there are going to be changes to the study, they need to be approved by the Committee.

Phair said what bothered him is that the study was already underway, and we should at least let Wendorf-Corriganfinish the study the way it was intended.

Regardless, Bidar-Sielaff said we need an update on the neighborhood center study either from Wendorf-Corrigan or from Hurie.

Hunter asked why the Mayor had decided to change things.

Hurie said that he wanted to be clear that the Mayor hasn't asked to change anything. The Mayor does think that there could be a little more substance on the analytical side in terms of comparative systems for neighborhood centers, rather than asking the general question of what the needs of the city are.

Phair said that that question is important because we need to know what the city needs and hopes we aren't abandoning that question.

Whitesel said he recalled that several Committee members cautioned against going out and asking open-ended questions, such as what would you like to have in your neighborhood.

ROLL CALL

	Bidar	-Sielaff left the meeting at 6:50 p.m.
	Present:	 7 - Matthew J. Phair; Robert M. Hunter; Monya A. Choudhury; Liz Dannenbaum; Daniel A. O'Callaghan; Justin O. Markofski and Russ Whitesel
	Excused:	2 - Tim Bruer and Shiva Bidar-Sielaff
<u>25761</u>	CDBC	G 2012 April Staff Report
	down	er said that given that we have a new mayor, maybe there is more of a top than a bottom up initiative with the neighborhood center study, which is but he said he would like to know what is going on.
	said h work	said he's not sure that he sees it as either top down or bottom up. Hurie ne agreed with Whitesel about open-ended questions. We're looking to through the questions in a little more focused manner, such as what borhood centers can best meet those needs.

Markofski reminded the Committee that Dungan had asked if we could hold off the presentation from the Planning Department on Neighborhood Indicators until they are ready to do the presentations. O'Callaghan suggested tabling this topic until Bruer could be here for the discussion, and the group agreed to that. Markofski said this item should then be on May's agenda for discussion.

9. <u>25762</u> Report from committees with CDBG Committee representatiuon.

Garden Committee:

Dungan said she was at the March meeting, and there are a number of gardens being proposed in parks, two of which are downtown, Brittingham and James Madison Parks, while others are being proposed at Elvehjem and Leopold Schools.

Whitesel asked if CDD is the only funder for gardens.

Dungan said CAC is a major player with community gardens throughout the city, their focus being on low and moderate-income individuals. They receive federal Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) funds, and some of those funds go toward the gardening program. She also said that there are other funding sources, such as Goodman Foundation and Madison Community Foundation.

Choudhury asked if the Committee could get the Gardens Committee minutes attached to the monthly packet.

O'Callaghan cautioned against taking on the role of oversight of the Gardens Committee, which we do not have at this point.

Choudhury said that since we do not have oversight of the Gardens Committee, the CDBG Committee doesn't need the minutes after all.

ADJOURNMENT

Whitesel moved adjournment at 7:15 p.m.; Hunter seconded. Unanimous.

Anne Kenny, recorder