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Meeting Minutes - Draft COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, August 27, 2014

5:30 PM

Madison Senior Center
330 W. Mifflin Street

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Staff Present: Jim O'Keefe, Laura Noel, Lorri Wendorf-Corrigan, Jennifer Stoiber

Paul Van Rooy called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm.

Present: 7 - Denise DeMarb; Felicitus Ferington; Patricia A. Lasky; Kim Genich; Bridget D. Rogers; Jean M. MacCubbin and Paul J. Van Rooy

Absent: 3 - Lisa Subeck; LaShana M. Miller and Michelle L. Michalak

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Pat Lasky, seconded by Fay Ferington to approve the minutes from July 23, 2014. Motion passed by voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Paul Terranova from Lussier Community Education Center thanked staff for the work they put into the Neighborhood Center Report. Staff and centers worked together on center support funding. Some alders have stated that they will advocate for more funding if we came up with a funding model. He is in favor of taking care of all of Madison's residents and the neighborhood centers are unified in this commitment. They are in favor of a new funding model that does not take funding away from any of the current centers.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None

DISCUSSION ITEMS

roll call

Lisa Subeck arrived at 5:49 pm.

Present: 8 - Denise DeMarb; Lisa Subeck; Felicitus Ferington; Patricia A. Lasky; Kim Genich; Bridget D. Rogers; Jean M. MacCubbin and Paul J. Van Rooy

Absent: 2 - LaShana M. Miller and Michelle L. Michalak

1. [35301](#) Neighborhood Center Report

Attachments: [Neighborhood Center Report 2014 8-5-14.pptx](#)
[_NC Report Final 8-22-14.pdf](#)

Laura Noel went over the changes made in the latest revision of the Neighborhood Center Report. Lorri Wendorf Corrigan and Laura Noel went through the neighborhood center report Power Point presentation. Lorri discussed the history and process used to compile the report, current description of the system of neighborhood centers and several funding models. Laura discussed the future of neighborhood centers, and the five factors and conditions to be considered in the creation and placement of future neighborhood centers.

Concerns were raised from the floor from Michael Johnson of Boy's and Girl's Club of Dane County about the possibility that Boys and Girls Club and other centers may lose substantial amounts of funds. Jim O'Keefe reiterated that staff is not interested in redistributing funds or cutting funding from one center to give to another. City staff has consistently stated that the new model (or new centers) cannot be implemented without the addition of new funds. City staff stated that the models presented in the report were presented as concepts rather than specific recommendations. Many details of the cost allocation model would have to be examined and determined before moving forward with a version of this model. This presentation is solely to walk through the report. There is a lot of distance between where the model is today and a new allocation plan.

2. [35302](#) Funding Process Study Update

Ben Williams discussed the focus groups that have taken place in the last couple of weeks. He discussed where their focus will be and the next steps in the process. The committee focus group was during the day and many people were not able to make it. He discussed some of the questions from the focus group and got feedback from the committee members.

3. [34249](#) Staff Report

Jim O'Keefe discussed the supplemental budget request to begin going toward a cost based allocation system without putting stresses on current centers. We want to phase in a new methodology. CDD has asked for \$170,000 to do this. There are many moving parts and a lot of work to do to flesh out what this system will look like.

Youth Services of Southern Wisconsin requested \$100,000 from the CDBG Committee to open their new teen shelter. The CDBG Committee initially offered \$35,000, but YSOSW said that amount would not allow the center to open. CDBG Committee removed the request from their funding process and asked for CDD to put the \$60,000 necessary to open in the supplemental budget requests.

The Mayor has asked City agencies to submit a flat budget, as well as a 3% cut budget. This means approximately a \$250,000 cut to CDD. We did not suggest a 3% across the board cut. We pieced together a 3% cut.

Theresa Terrace Neighborhood Center has suffered some setbacks. The contractor bidding process had flaws so all bids had to be rejected, and we

must go out for rebid. This will delay the opening of the center from March 1 to May/June. Meadowood will cost more money than anticipated. We will need to go back to the Mayor and Common Council for a little more money.

The purchase of the McKenna Blvd property returns to Council on Tuesday of next week. In anticipation of this passing, we have prepared a supplemental budget request for the operating of that center.

Laura Noel announced that Emerging Opportunities Program applications are due Friday. There were three projects awarded funding in the Spring cycle that will not be happening: Wisconsin Women's Business Initiative Corp, Friends of Recovery, and MOSES programs all lost staff, so they could not do the programs proposed in their applications. We may be able to reallocate the funds in this cycle. The newest piece to this cycle is that we have clarified what the role and responsibility of the fiscal agent is.

Woodlands Apartments on Northport Drive is a 128 unit building in an advance state of disrepair, with hundreds of building code violations. Thirty units have been rendered uninhabitable, and CDA won't allow Section 8 vouchers to be used there. The owner has found a corporation to make the renovations. They will be using Low Income Tax Credit dollars through WHEDA. They will only be available to families at or below 60% low income level. Rents will have a cap on them. The corporation has a 1.3 million dollar gap, and they want the City to fill it. We are recommending the City do this. The resolution was before BOE on Monday this week. They asked for a series of amendments. It goes to Common Council for final action next Tuesday.

4. [34250](#)

Committee Reports

- Early Childhood Care and Education Committee
- Committee on Aging

Pat Lasky reported for the Early Childhood Care and Education Committee. They got an update from Forward Community Investments, reacted to a resolution to provide child care and transportation to support paid internships, and got an update on the Neighborhood Center Report. They discussed the development of a universal child care system.

Fay Ferington reported for the Committee on Aging. Ben presented on the funding process study. They discussed what safety means, and listened to a presentation on Metro Transit.

Jim O'Keefe said the Mayor announced a major housing initiative. A twenty million dollar investment over five years to support tax credit eligible housing development. It is projected to create 750-1000 new units of affordable housing.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Lisa Subeck, seconded by Kim Genich to adjourn at 7:56 pm. Motion passed by voice vote.