

Minutes DRAFT
Block Grant Working Committee Meeting
Wednesday, November 3, 2021 – 4:00 p.m.
Community Development Division
Aurora City Hall, Fifth Floor, Room 5B - 44 E. Downer Place, Aurora, Illinois

The meeting was called to order at 4:12 p.m. by Chairman Lubshina

I. Roll Call

Block Grant Working Committee Members Present: Gerald Lubshina (Chairman), Terrie Simmons, Linda Cole, Warren Barton, Ken Gaul, Minal Shah

Members Absent: Veva Walton, Eric Rodriguez, Blanca Rodriguez, Dan Hoffman, Judy Durham

Staff Present: Chris Ragona, Amy Munro, Tara Neff, Liz Carrizales

Others Present: City of Aurora Alderwoman Shweta Baid

A. Introduction of Appointed Block Grant Working Committee Member.

Newly Appointed Committee Members: Blanca Rodriguez, Minal Shah, and Eric Rodriguez.

Mr. Lubshina introduced himself as the Committee Chair. He asked the Committee Members to introduce themselves.

II. Minutes of Meetings

A. July 13, 2021 -Special Meeting

B. August 4, 2021

A draft of the minutes was considered.

A motion to approve minutes from July 13, 2021 was made by Ms. Cole and seconded by Mr. Gaul. The minutes were approved as prepared.

A motion to approve minutes from August 4, 2021 was made by Mr. Gaul and seconded by Ms. Cole. The minutes were approved as prepared. The minutes were approved as prepared.

Ayes: 5

Abstain: 1

The newly appointed Committee member, Minal Shah abstained from voting.

III. Old Business

A. None

IV. New Business

A. 2021 Substantial Amendment - #3 to Annual Action Plans (2018, 2020 and 2021) – Recommendation for Approval

Mr. Ragona provided the Block Grant Working Committee with a summary of the proposed Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment (2020-#3). He gave a brief summary of the following funding recommendations. Discussion took place.

Proposed Amended CDBG-CV Activity	Original/Amended Funding Allocation	Substantial Amendment #2021-3 Recommended Re/Allocation	HUD Program Year Funding Source	Project Reallocation Comments (all CDBG/CV funds to be used for services to Aurora residents)
CDBG-2020-CV-03: Emergency Shelter and Subsistence Program	\$194,101 (CV); \$300,000.00 (CDBG)	\$112,000 (CDBG)	2020 CDBG-CV and prior year CDBG funds	Unexpended funds
Deobligated Funding Total (Amount available to reallocate)		\$112,000 (CDBG)		
Proposed New/Amended CDBG/CV Activity	Original/Amended Funding Allocation	Substantial Amendment #2021-3 Recommended Re/Allocation Amount	HUD Program Year Funding Source	Project Reallocation Comments (all CDBG/CV funds to be used for services to Aurora residents)
CDBG- 2018-02: Mutual Ground Exterior Renovation	\$245,000	\$112,000	2020 CDBG	Funds to be used for portico renovation costs; amended project CDBG total of \$357,000
HOME-ARP Program Administration	N/A	\$226,703	2021 HOME-ARP	Funds to be used for program staff salaries (\$136,336 initially)
HOME-ARP Homelessness and Supportive Service Assistance	N/A	\$2,500,000	2021 HOME-ARP	Funds to be used for homelessness and supportive assistance activities TBD
(Re)Allocation / Total		\$112,000 (CDBG) \$2,726,703 (HOME-ARP)		

A motion to recommend approval of Substantial Amendment 2021-#3 was made by Mr. Barton and seconded by Mr. Gaul. The motion was approved unanimously.

V. Other Matters
None

VI. Upcoming Meetings and Events

- A. Wednesday, December 1, 2021, 4:00 p.m. – Block Grant Working Committee Regular Meeting (Aurora City Hall, Fifth Floor-Room 5B)
Mr. Ragona advised that the December meeting may be cancelled due to lack of agenda items. BGWC members will be notified of any meeting changes.

VII. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:28 p.m. was made by Ms. Simmons and seconded by Mr. Barton. The motion was approved unanimously.