

CITY OF PASADENA
Community Development Commission Minutes
May 19, 2003 – 5:30 P.M.
City Hall Council Chamber

REGULAR MEETING

OPENING: Chair Bogaard called the regular meeting to order at 7:28 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioners:

Chair Bill Bogaard
Vice Chair Sidney F. Tyler, Jr.
Commissioner Victor Gordo
Commissioner Steve Haderlein
Commissioner Chris Holden
Commissioner Paul Little
Commissioner Steve Madison
Commissioner Joyce Streater (Absent)

Staff:

Chief Executive Officer Cynthia Kurtz
General Counsel Michele Beal Bagneris
Secretary Jane L. Rodriguez.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one appeared for public comment.

MINUTES APPROVED

February 3, 2003

It was moved by Vice Chair Tyler, seconded by Commissioner Little, to approve the minutes of February 3, 2003, as submitted. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Commissioner Streater)

On order of the Chair, the regular meeting of the Community Development Commission recessed at 7:29 p.m., to the regular meeting of the City Council.

On order of the Chair, the regular meeting of the Community Development Commission reconvened at 8:19 p.m. to a joint meeting with the City Council. (Absent: Commissioner Streater)

PUBLIC HEARING

JOINT PUBLIC HEARING: APPROVAL OF ANNUAL ACTION PLAN (2003 - 2004) FOR THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG); EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT (ESG); HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP ACT (HOME); HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES OR PERSONS WITH AIDS (HOPWA) PROGRAMS; AND RELATED HUMAN SERVICES ENDOWMENT FUND (HSEF) ALLOCATIONS

Recommendation of City Manager/Chief Executive Officer:
It is recommended that upon close of the public hearing, the City Council and the Community Development Commission

adopt a resolution:

(1) Approving the Annual Action Plan (2003-2004) which includes the following funding allocations: CDBG \$2,836,312; HOME \$1,385,049; ESG \$119,000; Housing Trust Funds \$91,000; and the related annual Human Services Endowment Fund \$120,000;

(2) Authorizing the City Manager/Chief Executive Officer to execute, and the City Clerk/Secretary to attest, the Annual Action Plan (2003-2004) and any and all other documents deemed necessary by HUD to obtain the allocation of the aforementioned federal CDBG, ESG, HOME, and HOPWA funds in accordance with the plan; and

(3) Authorizing upon approval by HUD of the City of Pasadena's application, the City Manager/Chief Executive Officer on behalf of the City of Pasadena and the Pasadena Community Development Commission to execute, and the City Clerk/Secretary to attest, the recipient, sub-recipient, agreements and/or amendments thereto, in a form acceptable to the City Attorney/General Counsel, for all recipients and/or sub-recipients recommended for a funding allocation as contained in the agenda report. (Resolution No. 8247; Resolution No. CDR-220)

Recommendations of Advisory Bodies: The subject recommendation was approved by the Northwest Commission on April 22, 2003; and approved by the Human Services Commission on May 5, 2003.

The Chair opened the public hearing.

The Secretary reported the notice of public hearing was published on May 1, 2003 in the Pasadena Journal; and no letters were received.

Ms. Eunice Gray, Project Planner, summarized the agenda report and responded to questions.

Ms. Natalie Profant Komuro, Pasadena resident, expressed concerns regarding the distribution of various funding sources for sheltering the homeless; and suggested the City work with landlords, the real estate community, and other organizations in providing housing opportunities and options for this segment of the community.

The Chief Executive Officer indicated that the Community Development Committee had been charged with examining housing issues and could be asked for recommendations regarding sheltering the homeless that could be presented to Council for discussion and consideration.

Mr. Greg Robinson, Housing and Community Development Administrator, responded to questions, and outlined the steps the City is currently taking to maximize the funds received for its various housing programs and to address the concerns expressed by Ms. Komuro.

Discussion followed on the comparison of funds allocated by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) with funds that have actually been spent on the grants, the reporting of this information to Council, and the methods for assuring that funding received by the City is spent and not lost in future years.

The Chief Executive Officer agreed to include data in the year-end reports presented to Council on the HUD funds allocated and on the actual funds spent on the projects/programs.

It was moved by Commissioner Little, seconded by Vice Chair Tyler, to close the joint public hearing. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Commissioner Streator)

Discussion continued on the implications of possible litigation between the City and a grant recipient, and the reporting process and guidelines for the grant projects.

Commissioner Little requested the grant year-end reports contain detailed information on the funds spent on the project purpose vs. administrative costs of the project.

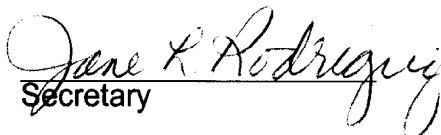
It was moved by Commissioner Little, seconded by Vice Chair Tyler, to approve the Chief Executive Officer's recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Commissioner Streator)

On order of the Chair, the joint meeting of the Community Development Commission and the City Council adjourned at 8:45 p.m., and the regular meeting of the Community Development Commission adjourned at this time.



Bill Bogaard, Chair
Community Development Commission

ATTEST:



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