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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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City Hall, Levi Lincoln Chamber
455 Main Street
Worcester, MA
5:30pm

MEETING MINUTES

CDAC present: Paula Stuart (Chair), Doug Arbetter (Vice Chair), Nicola D'Andrea, Suzanne Graham, Danaah McCullum, Edward Moynihan, Michael Murphy, Arline Rosario, Dana Strong

CDAC absent: none

City Staff: Greg Baker, Sandy Amoakohene, Stephen Hill, Tony Miloski

1) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Paula Stuart at 5:31 P.M.

2) CDAC Member Introductions & Meeting Format Overview

Following introductions, Paula Stuart (chair) gave an overview of the agenda and ground rules for the CDBG Year 44 / FY 2019 RFP applicant presentations. Speakers with one proposal were limited to three minutes, those with two or more proposals were limited to five minutes, and CDAC members were allowed to ask the presenters questions for up to three minutes with regards to their proposals.

The meeting was filmed and can be viewed through the following internet link:

<http://ec4.cc/bh42bff5>

3) Year 44 / FY 2019 CDBG Applicant Presentations

5:35 INTERDEPARTMENTAL (City of Worcester)
Business & Community Development Division (Economic Development Dept.) – Façade Program, Microloan Program, Small Business Grant program

- 5:42 Housing Development Division (Economic Development Dept.) – Affordable Housing Development Programs (down payment assistance, owner occupied & rental rehabilitation, lead paint abatement, etc.)
- 5:49 Inspectional Services Department – Systematic Housing Inspection Program
- 5:59 Inspectional Services Department – Demolition of Spot Slum and Blight Neighborhood Development Division (Economic Development Dept.) – Neighborhood Development Fund (road resurfacing, sidewalk reconstruction, streetscape improvements)

PUBLIC FACILITIES & IMPROVEMENTS

- 6:03 Centro Las Americas – Roof Renovation, 11 Sycamore St.
- 6:08 Girl’s Inc. – Gymnasium Renovation
- 6:13 YWCA of Central MA – Elevator Modernization

PUBLIC SERVICES

- 6:20 African Community Education – After School Program
- 6:28 Boys & Girls Club of Worcester – Job Readiness/Pipeline for College Program
- 6:36 Central MA Workforce Investment Board – Commercial Driver License Training Program
- 6:45 Centro Las Americas – Case Management
Centro Las Americas - Emergency Food Pantry

[CDAC Member Break for Refreshments]

- 7:07 Community Builders – Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program
- 7:12 Family Health Center – Emergency Dental Services
- 7:17 Friendly House – Case Management
Friendly House - Youth Development
- 7:26 Oak Hill CDC – Homeownership Stabilization & Development Services
- 7:33 Quinsigamond Village Community Center – Basic Needs Services
- 7:39 Rachel’s Table – Children’s Milk Fund
- 7:46 Regional Environmental Council – UGROW Community Gardens
- 7:53 South Middlesex Opportunity Council – Financial Services/Small Business
- 8:02 Southeast Asian Coalition of Central MA - Case Management
- 8:07 South Worcester Neighborhood Center – Food, Employment, Education & Direction
- 8:13 Worcester Community Action Council – Working Cities Together
- 8:21 Worcester Housing Authority – Transporting Elderly to Senior Center
- 8:27 United Way of Central MA – YouthConnect Summer

4) Adjournment

After the presentations were concluded, CDAC members agreed to review the first nine public service RFPs at their next CDAC meeting which is scheduled for Thursday, February 8, 2018 in the City Hall Levi Lincoln Chamber.

As there were no more presentations, the meeting adjourned at 8:33 PM.