

CITY OF NORWALK
PLANNING COMMITTEE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
JULY 26, 2011

ATTENDANCE: Douglas Hempstead, Chair; Andrew Conroy, Laurel Lindstrom,
Kelly Straniti, John Tobin.

STAFF: Norwalk Redevelopment Agency: Tim Sheehan

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Hempstead called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Hempstead announced that the first part of the meeting was a public hearing on the amendment to Community Development Block Grant Program, as follows:

Amendment of the local Annual Action Plans for Program years 35, 36, and 37 regarding the City Neighborhoods Activity.

There were no members of the public in attendance, and Mr. Hempstead announced that the public hearing was closed at 6:15 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**** MR. CONROY MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE
JULY 7, 2011 MEETING, AS SUBMITTED.
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Community Development Block Grant Program

Mr. Sheehan gave an overview of the proposed amendment and explained that the City of Norwalk is undertaking an amendment of the City's Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development for Program Years 35, 36 and 37. He added that the scope of the proposed amendment is limited to the City Neighborhoods Activity, and this is a technical modification, which would elevate the activity to a CDBG Project and expand the related eligible activities.

Mr. Sheehan explained that the CDBG funding currently available is restricted to only one activity and HUD matrix code, the Housing Rehabilitation Administration, and referred to the summary of proposed eligible activities as listed in the attached amendment with the proper HUD matrix codes.

Mr. Hempstead asked if everything was worked out, and Mr. Sheehan replied yes, that this was consistent with what was presented in February, and that it was a housekeeping procedure for the technical modification.

Mr. Conroy asked if the Brownfields' property had the Mayor's support, and Mr. Sheehan replied that this has gone back and forth with DPW. He added that the Mayor's position was to advance it forward, and upon completion of bid specifications for the remediation issue, any concerns or associated risks would be then brought forward.

**** MS. LINDSTROM MOTIONED TO APPROVE ADVANCING THE
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY'S CONSOLIDATED PLAN
FOR HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR PROGRAM
YEARS 35, 36 AND 37 TO THE COMMON COUNCIL.
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ADJOURNMENT

**** MR. CONROY MOVED TO ADJOURN.
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Knox
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