

CITY OF NEWARK
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

First-floor Conference Room

5:00pm

January 30, 2020

I. Roll Call and Introductions

At 5:00 pm, Chairperson Nagy called the meeting to order.

Present: Members, Bill Fitts, Luis Freitas, Jeff Lucia, Lori Bogisich, Olga Borjon, Eric Hentschke and Jeff Aguilar

Staff Present: Steven Turner, Community Development Director; Trang Tran, Senior Civil Engineer; Sofia Mangalam, Senior Planner; and Michael Carmen, Assistant Engineer

II. Approval of Minutes of April 29, 2019 Meeting

Members Fitts moved, Member Nagy seconded, to approve the minutes of April 29, 2019. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Staff Reports

A. Senior Planner Mangalam presented the CDBG status fund report. She presented the breakdown of CDBG funds and how these funds are used. She discussed number of Minor Home repairs completed, homes under construction and homes scheduled in the current FY19-20. She also included that the staff is expected to expend all of its administration fund allocation for the administration of projects at Bridgepoint Park and Sportsfield Park.

B. Senior Planner Mangalam briefly described that even though CDBG allocation for FY20-21 has not yet been finalized, but in order to meet various deadlines for this program, CDAC needs to recommend to City Council how these funds will be utilized.

Assistant Engineer than briefly explained the challenges that he faced administering the project at Bridgepointe Park and how he is still working towards completion of the same. Senior Civil Engineer than presented recommendation for FY20-21 for jurisdiction improvements projects in the amount of \$138,103 to be allocated to the Citywide ADA Compliance Improvements that would address ADA compliance needs at City-owned parks, facilities, and parking lots as identified in the City's Disabled Access Transition Plan.

The motion was moved by members Hentschke and seconded by Member Nagy. The motion passed unanimously.

- C. Senior Planner Mangalam briefly described City's affordable housing fund and provided the information that as of June 2019, City had a balance of \$18M. Community Development Director Turner then discussed that staff expects to utilize a portion of the fund to hire a consultant to assist staff with the development and improvement of affordable housing programs. he also presented various ways that this fund could be utilized to create additional affordable housing opportunities in our community. Member Lori inquired how rehabilitation of existing building will work. CDD Turner further explained that owner of an existing residential building can sell it to an affordable housing developer Such as MidPen Housing who would improve the building and residential units for deed-restricted affordable housing. Member Olga suggested that City first should discuss with the Community regarding its needs before hiring a consultant, to which CDD Turner explained that this fund can only be used for Affordable Housing and related activities. Member Aguilar inquired about deed restriction for rental and owner occupied and CDD Turner clarified that rental units are deed restricted for 55 years and owner occupied are deed restricted for 30 years.

Member Lori than discussed the need of restroom at Lakeside. Senior Planner Mangalam discussed that such projects first need to be discussed with Public Works Director Fajeau who then can work on the feasibility of such projects.

IV. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45pm.