

**COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE MEETING MINTUES
Monday, January 28, 2019**

The Community Planning and Development Committee met at the City Administration Building, 504 East Main Street, Second Floor Conference Room, Alliance, Ohio on Monday, January 28, 2019 at 11:30 a.m.

Members Present: Cindy King, Chairperson, Sheila Cherry, Council Committee, Brian Simone, Council Committee, Haven Ackley, Jennifer Mastroianni, Emily Rhome

Others Present: Joe Mazzola, Director of Planning and Development
Vanessia Freeman, Planning & Development
Barb Sferra, Safety Service Coordinator
Rebecca Mozden, Planning & Development
Jennifer Merriman, Planning & Development
Stephanie Ujhelyi, Alliance Review
Danille Kemp, Alliance Fire Dept.
Shirene Stan Tapyrik, Alliance For Children and Families, Inc.
Carol Risaliti, Beacon Charitable Pharmacy
Jennifer Keaton, Stark County Mental Health & Addiction Recovery
Robert Shaffer & Jodine Koenigseker, Alliance Community Pantry
Nancy Donato & Jim Justice, Canton Ex-Newsboys
Raymont & Brenda Johnson, Multi-Use Community Center
Elizabeth Hibbs, Early Childhood Ed. (SPARK)
Richard Sicha & Marcia Moll, Placemark Collaborative

I. CALL TO ORDER

Seeing a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 11:30 a.m. by Cindy King, Committee Chairperson.

II. GENERAL BUSINESS

The purpose of the meeting is to review the FY-2019 CDBG projects received and make recommendations to Alliance City Council for the Community Development Block Grant Program.

As chairperson of the Community Development Committee, King called the meeting to order, she welcomed everyone and turn the meeting over to Planning and Development Director, Joe Mazzola. Mazzola made note of a new committee member was present. Mazzola announces the City had not yet received the allocated amount from HUD for the 2019 fiscal year, so he noted that he was going to use the FY-2018 amount from the previous year's allocation of \$599,873.00 and adjusted amounts will be made at a later date.

Mazzola stated that the recaptured amount of \$65,111.72 was from Code which brought the total allocated anticipated amount to \$617,111.72. The information sheet below was distributed to members to explain the breakdown of funds.

The maximum amount that can be used for Public Service activities per HUD regulation is \$89,980.00 (15%) and the maximum amount for Administration is \$119,974.00 (20%). Code enforcement is recommended for \$110,000.00 to keep up with what the N.I.P. program has accomplished for the city. Mazzola also recommended \$50,587.00 to go towards Demolitions so the city doesn't fall behind again and it will help maintain the progress the N.I.P. program has accomplished. Historic preservation will get \$1000.00 to cover annual fees that are required. Housing rehab will continue to get the recommended amount of \$150,000.00 that will also cover the cost of Stark County Regional Planning who administer the rehab program. Mazzola asked they cover the projects last and go right to the Public Services.

FY-2019 Entitlement Allocation	\$599,873.00	
Recaptured	-0-	
Total To Allocate	\$599,873.00	
Maximum available for public service 15%	\$89,980.00	
Maximum available for administration 20%	\$119,974.00	
Eligible Activity Name		Recommended
Administration		\$119,974.00
Code Enforcement Administration		\$110,000.00
Demolition		\$50,587.00
Historic Preservation		\$1,000.00
Housing Rehab		\$150,000.00
Eligible Project Name	Request	Recommended
Multi Use Community Center	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
Handicap Accessible Bathroom AADVS	\$4,065.00	\$4,065.00
Roof Resurfacing Alliance Community Pantry	\$24,266.87	\$24,267.00
Public Services	Request	Recommended
Alliance Area Domestic Violence Shelter	\$13,560.00	\$12,500.00
Alliance Career Center	\$24,000.00	\$12,500.00
Beacon Charitable Pharmacy	\$10,000.00	\$7,500.00

Canton Ex- Newsboys Association	\$10,000.00	\$7,338.00
Early Childhood Education (SPARK)	\$20,000.00	\$12,500.00
Fair Housing (HUD Requirement)	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
Stark County CoC Homeless Hotline	\$14,142.00	\$14,142.00
YWCA Employment Assistance	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
YWCA Navigators Program	\$13,000.00	\$12,500.00

Public Service funding requests came in just under \$108,000.00 with eight applications turned in. We had \$89,980.00 to divide among the eligible applicants. Mazzola explained the point system on how applications rank on the scale of eligibility. *Please see above table for requested amounts and recommended funding.

Seven requests were received for 2019 project funding totaling almost \$300,000.00. Monies left for projects is about \$80,000.00. Mazzola used 3 key criteria for deciding how that funding was going to be best used to better our community.

1. The impact the project would have on the community.
2. Past support the city has given projects
3. Alternative funding sources that the projects may have for what they are looking for.

Based on those Mazzola is looking to fund 3 of the 7 projects.

#1 Multi-Use Community Center: This projects potential impact is huge for the surrounding neighborhoods. This project could generate help for one of the neighborhoods in greatest need. Location: SE corner of Liberty and Columbia. This covers only building costs.

#2 Handicap accessible restrooms Domestic Violence Shelter: This project was asking for so little for such a great need a no was not an option.

#3 Roofing for the Alliance Community Pantry: Food supplies are compromised due to the condition of the roof.

Mazzola pointed out that CDBG funding is good seed money to help programs get running but it can't be used for a perpetual source of funding. With that being mentioned Mazzola opened the idea that they may not be funding programs 2020 CDBG year because the need of housing rehab is so abundant. By using this funding Mazzola feels it will raise community standards.

Committee Chair King asked for a motion to approve the recommendations. Shelia Cherry made the motion to approve the recommendations noted in the agenda and Brian Simone Second the motion. All committee members in favor. Motion carries.