

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
(CDAAC)
January 11, 2018
Minutes

**Community Room, City Hall
241 West South Street
Kalamazoo, MI 49007**

Members Present: Jennette Tarver, Dana Underwood, Margaret Wilson, Annie Sprague, Sasha Acker, Chair, Candice Howell

Members Absent: Amina Shakir, Bill Wells, Adam Roth, Tami Cox, Ken Nichols

City Staff: Dorla Bonner, Community Development Manager; Venessa Collins-Smith, Compliance Specialist; Amanda Coeur, Community Development Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Acker called the meeting to order at approximately 6:32pm.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Coeur conducted roll call of CDAAC members and determined quorum existed.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Bonner asked to eliminate an item on the agenda under New Business: Scoring Recommendations and add to New Business: Expiring Appointments.

Ms. Wilson, seconded by Ms. Underwood, moved approval of the January 11, 2018 CDAAC agenda with the changes listed above. With a voice vote, the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Tarver, seconded by Ms. Wilson, moved approval of the November 2017 CDAAC minutes. With a voice vote, the motion carried.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Bonner informed the committee that on March 31, 2018 Dana Underwoods second term on CDAAC would expire. Stuart Neighborhood Association would have to name her replacement and let staff know. That candidate would then have to fill out the application in the Clerk's Office and be interviewed for the Nominating Committee. It was stated that the Nominating Committee needed one more member; Ms. Wilson asked to be added to that committee.

Ken Nichols and Candice Howells first partial term would be expiring on March 31, 2018 as well. Both members can serve two full terms if they choose.

COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBERS' REPORTS/STAFF UPDATES

Ms. Bonner gave the committee an update on the Shared Prosperity Kalamazoo (SPK) plan. She stated that the plan is still in draft form but the 2018 SPK Plan would be the roadmap for the 2019 HUD Consolidated Plan. She stated that multiple agencies are working together for community engagement; these agencies include Kalamazoo Valley Community College, The Kalamazoo Community Foundation, ISAAC and the City of Kalamazoo.

Ms. Bonner also shared that the City of Kalamazoo is working with the Michigan Department of Civil Rights on the GARE grant. This grant would help us write our Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing plan. HUD has stopped reviewing this plan but the City of Kalamazoo is still going forward with the creation of this plan.

LISC has awarded the city a 4.5 million dollar housing grant. This grant will create new construction homes and rental properties for low income residents. It will also rehabilitate rentals and home owner homes. Ms. Bonner stated CDBG dollars could be used to help this grant by providing down payment assistance. Infrastructure is another option for CDBG dollars to help this grant.

Ms. Underwood asked if CDBG funds could fix some of the unpaved private alleys throughout the city. Ms. Bonner stated that staff is looking at projects that otherwise could not be completed for 3-5 years due to funding. It was also suggested that a façade program be introduced to fix up the neighborhoods around the clusters of new homes that are forthcoming.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Tarver, seconded by Ms. Underwood, moved to adjourn the January 11, 2018 CDAAC meeting. With a voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Acker adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Submitted by: Amanda Coen
(Recording Secretary)

Dated: 5/10/18

Reviewed by: Sharon
(Staff Liaison)

Dated: 5/10/18

Approved by: Dani Rey
(CDAAC Chair/Vice Chair)

Dated: 5/10/18

