

MEETING MINUTES
 City of Santa Barbara
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

Tuesday, February 22, 2011

Gebhard Public Meeting Room
 630 Garden Street
(6:00 p.m.)

1. ROLL CALL:

Barbara Allen	<u> X </u>	Michael Just	<u> X </u>
Brenda Collins Powell	<u> X </u>	Laura Knight	<u> X </u>
James Cook	<u> X </u>	Veronica Loza, Chair	<u> X </u>
Yesenia Curiel	<u> X </u>	Daniel Ramirez	<u> X </u>
Greg Gorga, Vice-Chair	<u> X </u>	Josephine Torres	<u> X </u>
Rocky Jacobson	<u> X </u>		

X = Present A = Absent E = Excused

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

2. APPROVE MINUTES OF JANUARY 25, 2011 MEETING AND SPECIAL MEETINGS OF FEBRUARY 1, 3, 8, 10 & 15, 2011

The minutes were approved as submitted. (M-Cook/S-Allen)

3. REVIEW CORRESPONDENCE TO CDHSC

The committee reviewed a letter from the U.S Conference of Mayors regarding proposed funding cuts to the CDBG program.

4. SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENTS RECOMMENDATION ON FY 2011/2012 CDBG & HUMAN SERVICES FUNDING. THE RECOMMENDATIONS WILL BE USED IN THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA HUD CONSOLIDATED PLAN/ACTION PLAN. THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS WILL BE PRESENTED ON MARCH 22, 2011.

Barbara Allen made a motion that the CDHSC accept the subcommittees funding recommendations for FY 2011-2012 Community Development Block Grant and Human Services funding as presented with the exclusion of the following applications due to committee member conflicts of interest: CALM, Casa Esperanza, People's Self Help Housing, Unitarian Society, Channel Islands YMCA, Planned Parenthood, United Boys & Girls Club, Santa Barbara Rape Crisis Center, Jewish Federation, Mental Health Association, Transition House, Santa Barbara Neighborhood Clinics, Community Action Commission, and Food From the Heart. The motion passed by majority voice vote, noes: Powell.

Separate votes were taken on the excluded applications with the following committee members leaving the room in order to abstain: Curiel for CALM (M-Allen/S-Just); Collins and Allen for Casa Esperanza Day Center and Building Repair (M-Cook/S-Ramirez); Just for People's Self Help Housing (M-Gorga/S-Allen); Just for Unitarian Society (M-Allen/S-Torres); Loza and Collins for Channel Islands YMCA Noah's Anchorage and Transitional-Youth Housing (M-Allen/S-Torres); Collins for Planned Parenthood and United Boys & Girls Club (M-Allen/S-Torres); Curiel for Santa Barbara Rape Crisis Center (M-Cook/S-Jacobson); Jacobson for Jewish Federation Portraits of Survival and Building Repair, and City Parks & Rec. Job Apprenticeship Program (M-Ramirez/S-Allen); Loza for Mental Health Association and Transition House (M-Cook/S-Torres); Ramirez for Santa Barbara Neighborhood Clinics Dental

Care for the Homeless and Westside Clinic Repair (M-Torres/S-Allen); Torres for Community Action Commission (M-Allen/S-Ramirez). All were approved unanimously with noted abstentions. A separate vote was taken for Food From the Heart (M-Allen/S-Curiel), the motion passed by majority voice vote. Noes: Loza. Abstain: Torres.

Because the City has not received an official CDBG funding announcement from the Department of HUD, the committee added the following contingency plans to the recommended grant awards:

- *Public/Human Services – Reduce/eliminate funding for lowest rated 2nd priority programs, as necessary.*
- *Capital – Eliminate/reduce, as necessary funding from the lowest rated projects up to the Jewish Federation project. If after these cuts are made excess allocated funds remain, the Jewish Federation recommendation would be reduced by up to 50% if necessary, then each remaining higher-ranked project would be reduced by an equal percentage. Women’s Economic Ventures would be excluded with their funding intact.*

Upon receipt of actual entitlement amount awarded, the subcommittee will reconvene to fine tune the funding adjustments and will present these to the full CDHSC for approval. (M-Ramirez/S-Just) The motion passed unanimously.

5. RECOMMENDATION TO CANCEL THE MARCH 22, 2011 CDHSC MEETING SO THE CDHSC MAY ATTEND THE CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING ON THE CDHSC FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE CONSOLIDATED /ACTION PLAN.
The Committee unanimously voted to cancel the March 22 meeting, (M- Just/S-Ramirez).

6. ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES ON HUMAN SERVICES, CDBG AND HOME PROGRAMS
Staff reported to the committee about a letter received by the Executive Director of Youth CineMedia expressing concerns about the recent application and interview process. The committee appointed Veronica Loza and Michael Just to meet with City staff and Youth CineMedia staff to hear their concerns.

7. NEW BUSINESS
Staff reminded the committee that the next meeting will take place April 26.

8. ADJOURNMENT
The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.