



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, June 25, 2013

6:00 p.m.

David Gebhard Public Meeting Room
630 Garden St.

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL:

Brenda Collins Powell	<u> E </u>	Laura Knight	<u> X </u>
James Cook	<u> X </u>	Veronica Loza	<u> X </u>
Yesenia Curiel	<u> X </u>	Frank Quezada	<u> X </u>
Steven Faulstich	<u> X </u>	Josephine Torres	<u> X </u>
Greg Gorga, Chair	<u> X </u>	Daniel Ramirez, Vice-Chair	<u> X </u>
Rocky Jacobson	<u> X </u>	Max Rorty	<u> X </u>
Michael Just	<u> X </u>		

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

CONSENT

1. Approve Minutes of April 23, 2013 meeting.

The Minutes of April 23 were approved as submitted by majority voice vote. (M - J. Cook/ S – R. Jacobson, Abst. G. Gorga)

STAFF REPORTS/DISCUSSION

1. Update on FY 2012-13 CDBG capital projects.

Michael Ressler from the Jewish Federation reported that their project experienced significant delays when the center flooded twice on separate occasions prior and during the bidding process for the CDBG-funded project. As of this meeting rehabilitation of the restrooms and courtyard are complete. The only item that remains is the installation of benches in the courtyard, which will be completed in early July.

Brian Knowles and Sunita Jetmalani of the Santa Barbara Neighborhood Clinics reported that their project was nearing completion and that the remaining work included painting. It is expected to be completed by end of July.

Staff informed the committee that any uncompleted capital projects will have their contract amended to extend the agreement termination date beyond the current June 30, 2013 deadline.

2. Update and Discussion on Santa Barbara Neighborhood Clinics reported financial challenges.

Brian Knowles of Santa Barbara Neighborhood Clinics reported (SBNC) that SBNC has experienced increased service-delivery costs while revenue has decreased, partly because revenue is not generated from patient fees. SBNC leadership met with CEOs of local health organizations to help identify a long-term viability plan, and is currently soliciting foundations for bridge funds. When asked about details of the sustainability plan, Mr. Knowles stated that the plan is not yet public, but will be once they have enough funding to implement the plan.

3. Review FY 2013-14 funding cycle, and make recommendations to improve the FY 2014-15 funding cycle.

The committee made no changes to the funding cycle.

4. Discussion and Vote: Cancel July 23 and August 27 meetings.

The meetings of July 23 and August 27 were cancelled by majority voice vote. (M – S. Faulstich/S – M. Just)

5. Report from Neighborhood Advisory Council Liaison.

D. Ramirez reported that the NAC met to continue work on establishing their role. The NAC also received a presentation on the Eastside Neighborhood Transportation Management Plan (the Plan) by Public Works staff, which established strategies, priority projects and funding sources to address traffic safety concerns of the Eastside Neighborhood.

At the meeting, Mr. Ramirez said, the proposed Plan included asking the City Council to reserve CDBG funds for projects in the Plan. The NAC did not express support for this option, Mr. Ramirez said, and instead supported the idea of leaving the CDBG-funding process unchanged, or for Council to consider other possible sources to fund Plan projects, such as the General Fund.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

1. Administrative Issues Regarding the Human Services, CDBG and HOME Programs

Staff notified the committee about the City's CDBG allocation being higher than predicted and as a result, the Council-approved contingency plan was implemented. The committee asked for the list of agencies receiving increased grant amounts.

2. Review Correspondence To CDHSC

Staff shared with the committee a letter from the National Community Development Association in regard to the U.S. House of Representatives' Transportation-HUD Subcommittee's proposed cuts to the CDBG and HOME programs.

An email from the Santa Barbara City Clerk's office was distributed to the committee asking whether any committee members have an interest that would be affected by a City grant application requesting grant funds to Santa Barbara County CDBG for access ramps along Voluntario St. or for restroom remodeling at the Westside Community Center. No committee members expressed such interest.

COMMITTEE AND STAFF COMMUNICATION

There was none.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Regular Meeting: September 24, 2013 – 6 p.m. David Gebhard Public Meeting Room, 630 Garden St.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned.

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