



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final Community Development Committee

Thursday, May 12, 2011

6:00 PM

City Hall, Room 205

Call To Order

Chairman John Dickert called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: 15 - John Dickert, Brian O'Connell, Gregory Holding, Ken Lumpkin, Donnie Snow, Q.A. Shakoor, II, Steve Hansen, Sandy Weidner, Lee Martinez, Sammy Rangel, Debbi Embry, Aron Wisneski, Joey LeGath, Dennis Wiser and April Jacobs

Ald. Q.A. Shakoor, II arrived at 7:35 p.m.

Mayor John Dickert left at 7:15 p.m.

Donnie Snow left at 7:30 p.m.

Ald. Sandy Weidner left at 7:40 p.m.

Approval of Minutes for the January 13, 2011 Meeting.

A motion was made by Alderman Holding, seconded by Debbi Embry, to approve the January 13, 2011 meeting minutes, as distributed. The motion passed by a voice vote.

11-6138

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request from the Racine Literacy Council requesting a repurposing of their remaining 2009 CDBG funds to install two ADA automated door systems at 734 Lake Avenue.

Recommendation of the Community Development Committee on 5-12-11: That the request of the Racine Literacy Council to repurpose their remaining 2009 Community Development Block Grant funds to install two automated door systems at 734 Lake Avenue be approved.

Fiscal Note: The funds were allocated for improvements to the property at 734 Lake Avenue.

Attachments: [RLC request](#)

A motion was made by Alderman Wisneski, seconded by Donnie Snow, to recommend approval of the item. The motion passed by a voice vote.

11-6403

Subject: (Direct Referral) Review of Recommended 2011 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Housing Investment Partnerships grant, Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) Allocation Plan.

Attachments: [2011 CDBG-HOME-ESG Recommended Program](#)

Chairman Dickert introduced the item and commented on the status of the three federal housing and community development programs. He described the local funds allocation process, and stressed the need for collaboration and partnership.

The following persons gave oral presentations about their organization's funding proposal:

*John Rooney, Interim Commissioner of Public Works - Engineering
Alice Oliver, Director, Racine County Workforce Development Center
Brian O'Connell, Director, Racine City Development Department
Jason Mars, Director, Humble Park Community Center
Kristin Niemiec, Racine County Economic Development Corporation
James Wilson, Director, M.L. King Community Center
Donnie Snow, Director, Racine Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services Department
Kevin Cookman, Executive Director, Homeless Assistance Leadership Organization
Kay Gregor, Executive Director, Racine Literacy Council
Yolanda Adams, Executive Director, Urban League of Racine and Kenosha
Heather Lux, Wisconsin Women's Business Initiative Corporation
Richard Marciniak, Executive Director, Family Literacy of Racine
Dr. Carl Heigl, Cops 'N Kids Reading Program
Mark Schultz, Housing Resources, Inc.
Pat Crowell, The Salvation Army - Racine
Ola Baiyewu, Executive Director, Human Capital Development Corporation
Lynda Jackson, Executive Director, Bethany Apartments
Carol Wester, HOPES Center
Cheryl Montgomery, Racine/Kenosha Community Action Agency
Jim Schatzman, Executive Director, Racine Vocational Ministry
Pamela Handrow, Executive Director, SAFE Haven of Racine
Cherie Griffin, Executive Director, Women's Resource Center
Jon Nelson, Youth for Christ of Southeastern Wisconsin
Shirley Heck, John XXIII Educational Center
George Stinson, President and Grice Williams, Secretary, Community Economic Development Corporation
Charlie French, Executive Director, Racine Neighborhood Watch
Mary McIlvaine, Racine Neighborhood Watch
Jan Roland, President, Racine Habitat for Humanity
Debby Embry, Mayor's Office of Strategic Partnerships
Christopher Bogan, Racine YMCA
Lawrence Kirby, President, and James White, St. Paul's Community and Economic Development Corporation
Chris Flynn, President, Racine Urban Garden Network*

Chairman Pro Tem Greg Holding reminded committee members that the committee is scheduled to meet on Thursday, May 19, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. to review and revise the recommended funding allocation. He thanked committee members and members of the public for their understanding and patience.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.