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CITIZENS' COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FULL COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, March 15, 2022 Zoom Meeting 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

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Minutes

1. Call to Order - 5:05pm

Committee Members Present: Irene Riley, Azalea Renfield, Mick Del Rosario, Rena Ilasa, Clint Loftman, Emma Kelsey

City Staff in Attendance: Brian Cheu (MOHCD), Pierre Stroud (MOHCD), David Taylor (OEWD), Angel Cardoz (OEWD), Glenn Eagleson (OEWD), Quincy Williams (OEWD), Olivia Lenson (HSH), Alan Guttirez (HSH)

2. Director's Report

- A) Committee Seats: Reappointment of Clint Loftman and Azalea Renfield by the BOS Rules Committee happened on Monday, March 14th; Aileen Hernandez has left the committee, as she is moving to Sacramento; Emma Kelsey will be leaving committee and has not applied for re-appointment; we now have three vacancies (two BOS seats, one MYR) and are looking for new members; we particularly need representation from the Latinx community, Brian can send people a "job description" for CCCD members.
- B) Committee Meetings: Committee not shifting back to in-person meetings yet; Brian and Pierre described hybrid meeting model, which will be implemented with the CCCD at some point this year; we will keep committee members updated.
- 3. Committee Members' Report (Discussion Item)

None

4. Approve Minutes of October 19, 2021 Meeting

Clint Loftman moved to approve minutes, Azalea Renfield seconded, unanimously approved by the committee.

5. Discuss February 2nd Public Needs Hearing (Discussion Item)

Brian reviewed the logistics of the three separate meetings in English, Spanish and Chinese, then asked for committee feedback

Clint Loftman— there were a few logistical problems at the beginning (people had some trouble getting on, getting to the right room, etc.); Brian noted that one reason for the technical difficulties encountered was a CBO staff registering once, then sending that link to a number of their clients, which meant those clients had issues trying to log in.

David Taylor (OEWD)— Noted that this hearing was shorter than they have been the last two years; due to continued funding groups weren't as motivated to turn out clients.

Angel Cardoz (OEWD) – Spanish group went longer because some people commented multiple times.

Clint Loftman – in the public comment a resident said the city is providing funding for people to enter BMR housing, but not to sustain them? Brian said this was an issue – for instance, HOA fees can rise beyond BMR residents' ability to pay, but we are not able to regulate that.

Irene Riley – attended Chinese meeting, only had two public comments; interpreters needed more background before meeting; Brian noted that technical and policy language can be difficult for interpreters and this is why we have our bilingual staff present at the beginning of these meetings.

Next public hearing on Thursday, April 7^{th} at 5pm; Staff send out invitation for that to committee members and city staff soon

6. Approve Preliminary HUD Funding Recommendations for FY 2022-23 (Action Item)

Brian provided overview of the previous two Request for Proposal (RFP) processes, for projects starting in 2019-20 and again for 2020-21. For the upcoming 2022-23 year we are heading into the second year of two-year grant agreements, and are able to provide continuity and security of funding to our grantees. These grantees have performed well in 2020-21.

A) MOHCD – Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Recommendations

Brian reviewed the criteria for allocating CDBG funding to our services grantees. Due to the higher administrative and reporting requirements for federal funding, along with the possibility of federal audits and monitoring, MOHCD generally allocates CDBG funding to larger organizations with higher administrative capacity. We also allocate funding to projects primarily serving residents of, one of the department's six Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Areas (NRSA's) – Mission, Bayview, Visitacion Valley, Chinatown, SOMA, and Tenderloin. This allows the department to exceed the 15% public services cap usually applied to CDBG awards.

Brian then reviewed each project recommended for CDBG funding.

Quincy Williams (OEWD) had a question regarding Earned Income. Brian explained that we discourage this with federal projects, because of the complexity of the administration involved.

Motion to Approve 2022-23 MOHCD CDBG Recommendations by Clint Loftman, seconded by Irene Riley, unanimously approved by the committee.

Brian then explained the next set of steps in this process, from these preliminary recommendations, to the public hearing on April 7th, then the final recommendations being voted on by the committee. After that the recommendations go to the Mayor's Office, then the Board of Supervisors' Budget and Finance subcommittee. After they are voted on by the full Board of Supervisors, the city then finalizes its Action Plan and sends that to HUD for their approval.

B) MOHCD – HOPWA Recommendations

Brian described the basic elements of the HOPWA program – long-term rental subsidies, supportive services, and operations of the RCFCI's (Residential Care Facilities for the Chronically III).

Restructured RCFCI program this year, moving three out of the five facilities towards a less intensive model, more appropriate for the clients they are serving and more financially sustainable.

Brian then reviewed the specific recommendations.

Motion to Approve 2022-23 MOHCD HOPWA Recommendations by Clint Loftman, seconded by Azalea Renfield, unanimously approved by the committee.

C) HSH - Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Recommendations

Olivia Lenson described that most of the funding is the same as last year's, with the exception of consolidating two shelter programs into the larger Episcopal Community Services (ECS) Shelter Program

This is a key funding source for case management programs.

Alan Guttirez described how it is also used to support rapid rehousing strategies, blended with other fund sources.

Motion to Approve 2022-23 HSH ESG Recommendations by Azalea Renfield, seconded by Mick Del Rosario, unanimously approved by the committee.

D) OEWD – Workforce – CDBG Recommendations

David Taylor described how this funding primarily supports neighborhood job centers, youth workforce development programs, and sector academies

Completed a four-year procurement, with 2020-21 being the first year in that funding cycle.

Funding ten agencies, again primarily located in the NRSA's. Reviewed each recommended project.

Motion to Approve 2022-23 OEWD Workforce Development CDBG Recommendations by Irene Riley, seconded by Rena Ilasa, unanimously approved by the committee.

E) OEWD - Economic Development - CDBG Recommendations

Angel Cardoz described how they are providing stable funding from last year, with no changes in the amounts recommended to each project. This year they have focused primarily on economic recovery efforts. Primarily fund small business development, along with neighborhood commercial corridors.

Clint Loftman asked how the Economic Development team measures success. Angel described how OEWD tracks a wide range of outputs and outcomes, and specifically a number of very specific economic outcomes that show success and impact.

Motion to Approve 2022-23 OEWD Economic Development CDBG Recommendations by Clint Loftman, seconded by Irene Riley, unanimously approved by the committee.

With all preliminary recommendations having been approved, Brian described how we will now post the recommendations and then have our next public hearing on April 7th to receive feedback on these preliminary recommendations.

We will then have one more CCCD meeting to review and approve the Final Recommendations.

We would also like to gauge committee interest in future topics to learn about and discuss. Staff will send out a survey to get input on future topics, and will then work on a calendar for our next set of meetings.

7. Public Comment

None

8. Adjournment at 7:10pm