

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 1, 2014
CITY HALL WEST CONFERENCE ROOM
CITY OF WYOMING, MICHIGAN

MEMBERS PRESENT: Balk, DeJager, Hall, Krenz

MEMBERS ABSENT: Blok, Lopez, Ziemba

STAFF PRESENT: Rynbrandt, Director of Community Services
Lucar, Administrative Aide

Call to Order

Chairman Hall called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by DeJager, supported by Krenz, to revise the agenda to postpone the Election of Officers until the November meeting when the full committee is present. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Prior Committee Minutes

Motion by Krenz, supported by DeJager, to approve the prior meeting minutes of September 3, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment on Agenda Items

There was no public.

HUD Approved Low/Mod Income Areas 2015-2016 Implementation

Rynbrandt showed a comparison between the 2000 Census Low/Moderate Income Areas map and the new HUD approved Low/Moderate Income Areas map based on 2006-2010 American Community Survey data. The new map will be implemented for the 2015-2016 funding cycle. She pointed out how specific areas of Wyoming have changed over the years as far as income levels. The new map will impact the 2015-

2016 Letter of Intent process as far as funding low/moderate income area activities, such as code enforcement, community policing and other potential funding requests.

Updated CDBG Planning Schedule

Rynbrandt presented the Tentative Schedule for HUD Plan/Report Submittals for 2015.

Community Development Review Focus Group Update

Rynbrandt noted the three entitlement communities – City of Wyoming, City of Grand Rapids and Kent County – are continuing to evaluate ways to reduce costs and improve efficiencies through partnership. One area is through the development of a joint Five-Year Consolidated Plan. The goal is to do a joint Request for Proposals and have one consultant develop the joint Consolidated Plan. The City of Wyoming has received approval from HUD to extend for one year its current Consolidated Plan, aligning its plan submittal year with the other two entitlement communities. Rynbrandt discussed the draft timeline for the Consolidated Plan process. The Consolidated Plan must be completed by June 30, 2015.

Letters of Intent Update, Presentations Scheduled

Rynbrandt noted the Letter of Intent applications are due by October 23, 2014. At the November meeting, presentations will be made regarding the Code Enforcement, Community Policing and CDBG Housing Rehabilitation programs.

Regarding the current sub-recipient Compassion This Way, Rynbrandt pointed out that they are in their final year of their three-year funding agreement. The goal was to give them seed money to establish a stable location for outreach to the Taft neighborhood area. The Committee will have to make a decision regarding the extension of this commitment.

Committee Member Concerns & Suggestions

Hall inquired regarding the 28 West plans. Rynbrandt replied the sign is up promoting the 28 West development area. City funds will be used to begin construction of the crescent street as the Wyoming Village Mall property is redeveloped. Car City on the north side of 28th Street has submitted plans to expand their operations.

Public Comment

There was no public.

Adjournment

Motion by DeJager, supported by Krenz, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

The Committee will meet again on **November 5, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.**

Kimberly S. Lucar, Administrative Aide