

Community Development Advisory Board Minutes December 5, 2019 @ 5:30 p.m.

		Present			
Vacant	District 1		Yes		No
Lisa Kerns	District 2	\boxtimes	Yes		No
Jackie Adams	District 3	\boxtimes	Yes		No
Ann Birch	District 4	\boxtimes	Yes		No
Bud Thames	District 5		Yes	\boxtimes	No
Marshall West	District 6	\boxtimes	Yes		No
Rev. Jimmie Howell	District 7	\boxtimes	Yes		No
Kristen Smalls	District 8	\boxtimes	Yes		No
Edward Beaufort-Cutner	County Supervisor	\boxtimes	Yes		No
	Appointee				
Staff					
John O. Williams	County Attorney		Yes	\boxtimes	No
Victoria Marshall	Grants Administrator	\boxtimes	Yes		No

I. <u>Call to Order</u>

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 p.m. by Victoria Marshall, Grants Administrator.

II. Introductions

Each member present shared their work and community volunteer experience.

III. New Business

- Advisory Board ByLaws
 This matter was skipped and will be addressed at the next scheduled meeting.
- Nomination of Chair, Vice Chair
 This matter was skipped and will be addressed at the next scheduled meeting.
- Confidentiality Agreement & Conflict of Interest
 Marshall explained the reason for the needed forms to be read and completed by each new Board member and asked them to be signed and turned in as soon as possible.

IV. Overview of CDBG Funds

A powerpoint was shared on the CDBG primary objectives and activities that can be funded. Eligible and ineligible projects, the 5-Year Consolidated Plan process, the community priorities and the County rollout of the CDBG Program over the next three years. HOME funds to develop affordable housing and Emergency Solutions Funds for homeless services will become available once the County shows it has the capacity to manage the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funds effectively.

The County is anticipating \$1.1M in funding less 15% for planning and administration. The County will set aside \$100,000 for demolition of blighted properties. If there is not a request for up to \$100,000 for these type projects, those funds will roll over into the balance of funds for public facility projects. There is a timeliness in spending required by HUD. When evaluating proposals for funding, board members will want to take that into consideration when scoring and funding recommendation.

During Year 2 funding cycle, non-profit organizations will be invited to apply for Public Service Grants (capped at 15%) by HUD. The County will provide training events for local non-profits to prepare them on the expectations and responsibility of receiving federal funds. The agencies that are funded are required to report to the County as the County is to the federal government.

V. Other Discussion

The next meeting will include training on the review and scoring of proposals for CDBG funds.

VI. Next Meeting Date/Time

Thursday, January 16, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m. Berkeley County Administration Building, Room 125

VII. Adjournment

Victoria thanked the Board for their service that will make an impact in the low-to-moderate areas of the County for years to come.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m. by Victoria Marshall