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Community Development Committee Meeting Summary

Tuesday, July 16, 2019, 5:30 p.m.
Room 303, Duluth City Hall

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Hamilton Smith called the meeting to order at 5:32 pm.

Roll Call

Attending- Randy Brody, Mark Osthus, Hamilton Smith, Patricia Sterner, Daris Nordby, Valerie Joeckel and Breanna Ellison

Absent- Noland Makowsky

Staff Present: Ben VanTassel, and Jenn Reed Moses

2. Approval of Meeting Summary

MOTION/ Second: Brody/Ellison to approve meeting summary from June 18, 2019. **Vote (6-0)**

3. Review Draft 2020-2024 Five-Year Consolidated Plan Goals

Ben VanTassel provided an overview of the Consolidated Plan –Five Year Plan and the process to identify community needs and allocate funding according to goals. The Committee reviewed the community needs from the previous month and used them to develop the draft consolidated plan goals. These draft goals would be used for the FY 2020 application process and they would be incorporated into the updated 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan.

Chair Smith asked if goals should be prioritized. VanTassel said HUD no longer uses that as part of the process, but the city could do that. Chair Smith asked if we have pre-commitments on housing. VanTassel answered there are some projects the Committee made pre-commitments to if they receive tax credits.

Nordby asked for dental to be added into health services. Joeckel asked whether child care could be on the list. VanTassel said it's often heard from the community. Smith noted child care is a barrier to employment, especially for women. She also said there is still a lack of training to get people into living wage jobs. Sterner supports calling out child care as a separate goal.

MOTION/ Second: Osthus/Nordby to add child care services as its own category.

Vote (7-0) Motion to accept draft consolidated plan goals.

Ellison expressed concerns about the gentrification of Lincoln Park. VanTassel stated the Fair Housing Plan will be worked on this fall. Ellison recommended increasing efforts to combat gentrification and displacement by incorporating provisions into neighborhood revitalization plan.

MOTION/ Second: Ellison/Sterner increasing efforts to combat gentrification and displacement into neighborhood revitalization plan. **Vote (7-0)**

MOTION/ Second: Osthus/Brody **Vote (7-0)**

4. Finalize FY2020 Funding Category Targets

VanTassel presented the HUD categories, which are determined by HUD. He recommends setting goals. Smith noted there are goals, but can be flexible when the applications come in.

MOTION/ Second: Brody/Ellison CDBG allocation 45, 15, 5, 15 and 20% **Vote (7-0)**

MOTION/ Second: Sterner/Osthus HOME allocation 50, 15, 25, 0 and 10% **Vote (7-0)**

MOTION/ Second: Ellison/Valerie ESG allocation 60, 30.5, 2, and 7.5% **Vote (7-0)**

Recognized Randy Brody.

5. Adjourn

MOTION/ Second: Brody/Ellison to adjourn the meeting 6:55. **Vote (7-0)**