



Housing and Community Development Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

Stephen Sparks – Chair
Donna Bleyle – Vice Chair

Susan Brenton
Diana Yazzie Devine
Heather Kay
Heather Landvatter

Tom Stapley
Linda Starr
Kent Westover
Kris Wooley

Thursday, March 5, 2015

6:00 p.m.

Lower-Level Council Chambers
57 E. First Street
Mesa, Arizona, 85201

I. Welcome and Introductions

Due to the Chair and Vice-Chair not being present, Heather Kay volunteered to sit in as “Chairperson Pro Tem”, Susan Brenton made a motion to approve this and the motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

- A. HCDAB members present at meeting introduced themselves. Members not present were Stephen Sparks, Donna Bleyle, Heather Landvatter and Linda Starr.
- B. New Board members Tom Stapley and Kris Woolley were welcomed.
- C. Staff present at the meeting was Ray Thimesch, Dennis Newburn and Deanna Grogan.

II. Approval of Minutes

- A. Susan Brenton made a motion to approve the HCDAB minutes from the February 5, 2015 meeting. The motion was seconded by Diana Yazzie-Devine and was carried by a vote of 6-0.

III. Items from Citizens Present

No members of the citizens present wished to address the Board.

IV. Discussion Items

There were no discussion items.

V. Action Items

Public Hearing #1: La Mesita Homeless Shelter – Additional Funding

Ray Thimesch explained that Public Hearing #1 was part of the Substantial Amendment process. He informed the Board that Public Hearing #2 will be held on March 23, 2015, and the Council will give their approval on April 6, 2015.

Diana Yazzie-Devine recused herself from voting on this item due to a conflict of interest.

Kris Wooley asked for an overview of the shelter. Ray Thimesch gave an overview of the shelter and the services provided.

Heather Kay made a motion to approve additional funding for the La Mesita Homeless Shelter in the amount of \$705,000 in CDBG funding. Susan Brenton seconded the motion. The motion was carried by a vote of 6-0. The funding will come from \$500,000 from CDBG Administration funds, \$135,000 from East Valley Men's Center project cancellation and \$70,000 from Program Income.

VI. Staff Announcements/Reminders

- A. 30-Day Comment Period begins on *March 16, 2015* through *April 16, 2015* for the FY 2015-2016 Annual Action Plan.

Ryan Winkle representing RAILmesa (Retail, Arts, Innovation & Livability) a registered neighborhood group, said that he will be forwarding questions, comments and/or corrections via the on-line form concerning the FY 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan.

- B. Next HCDAB meeting on *Thursday, April 2, 2015*. This will also be Public Hearing #2 concerning the following items:

- 1. FY 2015-2016 Annual Action Plan Review
- 2. FY 2015-2019 Five-Year Consolidated Plan
- 3. Citizen Participation Plan
- 4. Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing

Kris Wooley asked if it is important to review each of the plans in detail (Annual Plan, Consolidated Plan, Analysis of Impediments)? Ray Thimesch stated that it is important in order to fully understand each of the plans and to address any questions and/or concerns that may arise along the way.

The Board asked for orientations to be done so that everyone can become more familiar with one another. The members present gave a short bio and answered questions. The Board would like for everyone else to give a short bio at the April 2, 2015 meeting.

Kris Wooley asked what "ABC Donations" were and Ray Thimesch explained the program and mentioned that there is a promotional campaign that is ongoing in order to raise additional funds and inform the Mesa citizens about the program. Tom Stapley suggested that maybe the minimum donation should go back to \$1.00 if there was more participation in the past due to this reason.

VII. Adjourn the meeting

Heather Kay made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Diana Yazzie-Devine and carried by a vote of 6-0. The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Deanna Grogan", is written over a solid horizontal line.

Submitted by Deanna Grogan, Community Revitalization Specialist