

Lake County Illinois

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18 N. County Street
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Minutes Report - Final

Wednesday, September 14, 2022

2:30 PM

**Central Permit Facility
2nd Floor Conference Room
500 W Winchester Rd., Libertyville, IL 60048**

**Housing and Community Development Commission -
Executive Committee**

1. **Roll Call**

Vice-Chair Venturi called the Housing and Community Development Commission (HCDC) Executive Committee meeting to order at 2:33 p.m.

Staff: Eric Waggoner, Brenda O'Connell, Dominic Strezo, and Joy Rice

Present 3 - Billy McKinney, Janet Swartz and Dan Venturi

Absent 4 - Sandy Hart, Linda Pedersen, Ray Rose and Julie Simpson

2. **Approval of Minutes**

2.1 **22-0875**

Approval of the April 13, 2022 minutes.

Attachments: [DRAFT 2022-04-13 HCDC EXEC Minutes](#)

approval of minutes

Aye 3 - McKinney, Commissioner Swartz and Vice-Chairman Venturi

Absent 4 - Ex-Officio Member Hart, Chair Pedersen, Rose and Ex-Officio Member Simpson

3. **Chair's Remarks**

There were no chair remarks.

5. **Old Business**

There was no old business.

6. **New Business**

6.1 **22-1286**

Joint resolution approving the Seventh Amendment to the Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) Program Year 2019 (PY19) Annual Action Plan (AAP).

- HUD requires the submission of an Annual Action Plan (AAP) and associated amendments to govern expenditure of federal housing and community development funding for each program year.
- Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus relief funds (CDBG-CV) and Emergency Solutions Grant Coronavirus relief funds (ESG-CV) reporting elements are included in the PY19 AAP regardless of the program year the activities are initiated.
- The seventh amendment to the PY19 AAP proposes the reallocation of \$367,654 of unspent CDBG-CV to Northern Illinois Food Bank (NIFB) for food distribution services changes.

Attachments: [PY19 AAP 7th Amendment \(CARES Act\) DRAFT](#)

Presented by Brenda O'Connell, Community Development Administrator

Brenda advised the committee that the Seventh Amendment to the Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) Program Year 2019 (PY19) Annual Action Plan (AAP) is needed to expedited funding in advance of the June 2023 expenditure deadline for CDBG-CV funding. The plan repurposes rental assistance project delivery costs that

were not needed in the administration of the Federal Emergency Rental Assistance (FERA) program as well as some unspent grant balances to programs that have closed out. The plan amendment repurposes the funding for additional food supply to Lake County food pantries through the Northern Illinois Food Bank.

6.2 [22-1289](#)

Joint resolution approving the First Amendment to Program Year 2022 (PY 2022) HUD Annual Action Plan (AAP).

- HUD requires the submission of an Annual Action Plan (AAP) and associated amendments to govern expenditure of federal housing and community development funding for each program year.
- An amendment to the AAP is required to substantially change the purpose, location, scope or beneficiaries of a project.
- The First Amendment to the PY 2022 AAP reallocates \$200,000 of CDBG funds from an affordable housing project no longer moving forward (HODC - Ashbury Woods) to a Permanent Supportive Housing Project (HODC/Thresholds - PSH).

Attachments: [PY22 AAP 1st Amendment DRAFT](#)

Presented by Brenda O'Connell, Community Development Administrator

Brenda informed the commission that the First Amendment to Program Year 2022 (PY22) HUD Annual Action Plan (AAP) is necessary in order to move funding from Housing Opportunity Development Corporation's (HODC) now defunct Ashbury Woods project over to a new Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) project. The new project amount reflects a combination of Thresholds' prior PSH funding and HODC's Ashbury Woods funding.

6.3 [22-1294](#)

Approval to submit a Conflict of Interest (COI) waiver to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

- Youth Conservation Corps. (YCC) has submitted a request for a COI waiver for the potential sale of the property located at 37898 N. New York Ave., Beach Park to a YCC employee.
- Lake County, as the recipient of CDBG funds must submit the COI waiver on behalf of YCC.
- Per §570.611, the waiver request requires public disclosure of the conflict and a written legal opinion that the interest for which the exception is sought would not violate State or local law.
- Pending receipt of a written opinion by the States Attorney's Office, Community Development would submit the waiver request and supporting documentation to HUD for consideration.

Attachments: [YCC Request for COI Waiver](#)

Presented by Dominic Strezo, Senior Grant Manager

Dominic informed the committee that there is a need to submit a Conflict of Interest (COI) waiver to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for a home

that was rehabbed by Youth Conservation Corps participants due to the fact that a former program participant turned employee has expressed interest in purchasing the home. The waiver is necessary to establish that no conflict of interest exists since grant funds were used to purchase and rehab the property.

6.4 [22-1295](#)

Approval of the amendments to Lake County Community Development Construction Management Policy.

- On September 29, 2020 HUD published the Final Rule governing Section 3 Compliance (24 CFR Part 75).
- The Final Rule establishes that Section 3 requirements apply to housing rehabilitation, housing construction, and other public construction projects assisted under HUD programs.
- The updated Construction Management Policy incorporates the Final Rule and incorporates the Lake County Community Development Section 3 Plan and Compliance Guide.

Attachments: [LC Community Development Section 3 Plan and Guidelines 9.14.22](#)

[Policies & Procedures Manual Section 6 - Construction Management Polic](#)

6.5 [22-1314](#)

Joint resolution approving an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between Lake County and the Lake County Housing Authority (LCHA) for the completion of 24 CFR Part 58 Environmental Review Records (ERRs).

- The LCHA completes projects and/or activities with federal financial assistance subject to U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulations at 24 CFR Part 58.
- Public housing authorities do not meet the definition of a Responsible Entity (RE) under 24 CFR Part 58 and are unable to complete ERRs.
- Lake County, as a unit of general local government, is a RE and authorized to perform ERRs on behalf of LCHA.
- The attached IGA defines the terms and conditions for the completion of LCHA ERRs.

Attachments: [LCHA IGA Environmental](#)

Presented by Dominic Strezo, Senior Grant Manager

Dominic informed the commission that the amendment to Lake County Community Development Construction Management Policy would allow Lake County Staff to perform environmental reviews for the Lake County Housing Authority (LCHA). The LCHA will request the review, Lake County staff will prepare the review, and LCHA will reimburse Lake County Community Development for all expenses incurred during the process.

7. Staff Reports

There were no staff reports.

8. Adjournment

Vice-Chair Venturi adjourned the meeting at 3:04 pm.