

Lake County Illinois

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Minutes Report - Draft

Wednesday, May 13, 2020

3:30 PM

**Via Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85890023611> or
1-312-626-6799**

Meeting ID 858 9002 3611

Housing and Community Development Commission

To comply with social distancing requirements and Governor Pritzker's stay-at-home order, this meeting will be held virtually.

Public comments are welcomed and encouraged. Public comments received by noon on Wednesday, May 13, 2020 will be read at the appropriate time in the agenda.

Please note: A total of 30 minutes will be permitted for Public Comment and no more than three minutes per public comment. All comments received will be included in the meeting minutes regardless of whether they are read aloud at the meeting.

Public comments shall be emailed to lwalley@lakecountyil.gov with the following information:

- Subject title: Housing and Community Development Commission
- Name
- Organization
- Topic or agenda item

Meeting participants will also be able to post written comment in the meeting chat box.

ROLL CALL

Chairman Rose called the meeting of the Housing and Community Development Commission (HCDC) to order at 3:38 p.m.

Guests: Amanda Levinson of Arden Shore; Michael Knight of CASA Lake County; Meghan Powell-Filler and Eric Foote of PADS Lake County; and Cassandra Torstenson of the County Administrator's Office

Staff: Eric Waggoner, Brenda O'Connell, Dominic Strezo, Irene Marsh-Elmer, Eric Tellez and Laura Walley

- Present** 15 - Michael Meehan, Ray Rose, Anne Flanigan Bassi, Bethany Williams, Jennifer Clark, Linda Pedersen, Diane Hewitt, Mary Cunningham, Janet Swartz, Sharaka Leonard, Billy McKinney, Laureen Wilhoit, Mary Dominiak, Kathleen O'Connor and Marah Altenberg
- Excused** 2 - Stephen Henley and Dan Venturi

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2.1 20-0658

Approval of the April 29, 2020 Minutes

Attachments: [4.29.20 Draft Minutes.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Dominiak, to approve the April 29, 2020 minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Aye** 15 - Commissioner Meehan, Chairman Rose, Commissioner Flanigan Bassi, Commissioner Williams, Commissioner Clark, Vice-Chairman Pedersen, Commissioner Hewitt, Commissioner Cunningham, Commissioner Swartz, Commissioner Leonard, Commissioner McKinney, Commissioner Wilhoit, Commissioner Dominiak, Commissioner O'Connor and Commissioner Altenberg

3. CHAIR'S REMARKS

Chairman Rose thanked those in attendance for their time and patience as staff gains experience holding meetings within the virtual platform.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS (items not on the agenda)

There were no public comments.

5. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

6.1 20-0653

Joint resolution authorizing 2020 Video Gaming Revenue grant funding recommendations in the amount of \$601,503.

- In September 2016, the Board approved the Video Gaming Revenue policy that outlined procedures for: capturing video gaming administrative, legal, and enforcement costs; and evaluating and possibly funding social programs, projects (excluding capital improvements), and/or services that benefit Lake County residents.

- Application scoring includes up to 60 points (pts) that are distributed based on the following priorities: assessment, education and outreach for gambling addiction (60 pts.); clinical gambling addiction services (45 pts.); non-clinical gambling addiction services (30 pts.); and other behavioral health services (15 pts).
- In December 2019, Community Development received applications for Video Gaming funds totaling \$984,250 for \$701,503 in available funds.
- Funding recommendations include:
 - o \$62,000 to Nicasa for gambling education and outreach;
 - o \$58,000 to Nicasa for clinical therapeutic services for gambling addicts;
 - o \$100,000 to United Way for 211 information and referral services;
 - o \$5,000 to Consumer Credit Counseling Services of Northern Illinois for financial literacy services; and
- Multiple grants to increase the capacity of behavioral health service providers in Lake County: A Safe Place counseling (\$34,000); A Safe Place DCFS Co-location (\$15,000); Arden Shore (\$75,000); CASA Lake County (\$38,000); Catholic Charities (\$25,000); ChildServ (\$25,000); Josselyn Center (\$25,330); Lake County Health Department (\$25,000); One Hope United (\$18,00); PADS outreach (\$27,673); Youth Conservation Corp (\$35,000); Youth & Family Counseling (\$18,000); and Zacharias Sexual Abuse Center (\$15,500)
- The County Board allocated \$100,000 left unallocated by the application review committee to use for temporary lodging for homeless and populations that are unable to quarantine at home.

Attachments: [UPDATED 2020 VGR Recommendations](#)

Presented by Brenda O'Connell, Continuum of Care Program Coordinator, and Eric Tellez, Community Development Planner.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Williams, to approve the Joint Resolution authorizing the PY2020 Video Gaming Revenue grant funding recommendations in the amount of \$601,503. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 15 - Commissioner Meehan, Chairman Rose, Commissioner Flanigan Bassi, Commissioner Williams, Commissioner Clark, Vice-Chairman Pedersen, Commissioner Hewitt, Commissioner Cunningham, Commissioner Swartz, Commissioner Leonard, Commissioner McKinney, Commissioner Wilhoit, Commissioner Dominiak, Commissioner O'Connor and Commissioner Altenberg

6.2 20-0654

Amendment to the Written Standards for Provision of Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Assistance.

- The coronavirus pandemic has resulted in significant financial hardship in the community, including the current participants in rapid rehousing programming.
- Rapid Rehousing participants are literally homeless prior to program participation and are given rental assistance for the number of months needed to stabilize the household.
- Proposed policy allows rental assistance to be provided up to the 24-month statutory maximum on a month-by-month basis if there is an unforeseen financial hardship

Attachments: [Policies Standards Procedures- May 2020](#)

Presented by Brenda O'Connell, Continuum of Care Program Coordinator

A motion was made by Commissioner Meehan, seconded by Commissioner Swartz, to approve the amendment to the Written Standards for Provision of Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Assistance. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 15 - Commissioner Meehan, Chairman Rose, Commissioner Flanigan Bassi, Commissioner Williams, Commissioner Clark, Vice-Chairman Pedersen, Commissioner Hewitt, Commissioner Cunningham, Commissioner Swartz, Commissioner Leonard, Commissioner McKinney, Commissioner Wilhoit, Commissioner Dominiak, Commissioner O'Connor and Commissioner Altenberg

6.3 20-0655

Joint resolution authorizing renewal of the HOME Investment Partnership Program Consortium Lake County, the City of North Chicago and the City of Waukegan have formed a consortium since 1991 in order to take a more regional, collaborative approach to meeting affordable housing needs.

- Lake County serves as the Lead Entity of the HOME Consortium and assumes overall responsibility for compliance with the HOME program requirements
- Pursuant to HUD requirements, the HOME Consortium Agreement must be renewed every three years in order for all three jurisdictions to continue operating as a consortium.
- The current agreement runs through the end of program year (PY) 2020 and the proposed agreement will cover PY 2021 through PY 2023.
- The agreement has been reviewed by the Lake County States Attorney's Office.

Attachments: [HOME Consortium Agreement FY21-23 - v01 \(004\)](#)

Presented by Dominic Strezo, Environmental Project Coordinator

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Williams, to approve the Joint Resolution authorizing the renewal of the HOME Investment Partnership Program Consortium. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 15 - Commissioner Meehan, Chairman Rose, Commissioner Flanigan Bassi, Commissioner Williams, Commissioner Clark, Vice-Chairman Pedersen, Commissioner Hewitt, Commissioner Cunningham, Commissioner Swartz, Commissioner Leonard, Commissioner McKinney, Commissioner Wilhoit, Commissioner Dominiak, Commissioner O'Connor and Commissioner Altenberg

6.4 20-0656

Joint resolution authorizing an intergovernmental agreement for the provision of grant administration and management services for North Chicago Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.

- For the past six years (2014-2020), Lake County has provided grant administration and management services for the North Chicago CDBG program.
- This intergovernmental agreement defines the roles and responsibilities for the County and the City for the implementation of the CDBG program.

- Both the City of North Chicago and Lake County desire to continue this arrangement for the next three years, which requires the approval of a third three-year agreement.
- The agreement has been reviewed by the Lake County States Attorney's Office.

Attachments: [Lake County N Chi Joint Agreement 2021-23](#)

Presented by Dominic Strezo, Environmental Project Coordinator

A motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Dominiak, to approve the Joint Resolution authorizing an intergovernmental agreement for the provision of grant administration and management services for the City of North Chicago's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 15 - Commissioner Meehan, Chairman Rose, Commissioner Flanigan Bassi, Commissioner Williams, Commissioner Clark, Vice-Chairman Pedersen, Commissioner Hewitt, Commissioner Cunningham, Commissioner Swartz, Commissioner Leonard, Commissioner McKinney, Commissioner Wilhoit, Commissioner Dominiak, Commissioner O'Connor and Commissioner Altenberg

7. STAFF REPORTS

There were no staff reports.

8. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner McKinney, to adjourn the meeting at 3:56 p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 15 - Commissioner Meehan, Chairman Rose, Commissioner Flanigan Bassi, Commissioner Williams, Commissioner Clark, Vice-Chairman Pedersen, Commissioner Hewitt, Commissioner Cunningham, Commissioner Swartz, Commissioner Leonard, Commissioner McKinney, Commissioner Wilhoit, Commissioner Dominiak, Commissioner O'Connor and Commissioner Altenberg