

**CITY OF BRIDGEPORT
SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)
SPECIAL MEETING
APRIL 10, 2024**

ATTENDANCE:

City Council Members: Mary McBride-Lee, Co-chair; Jazmarie Melendez (5:45 p.m.),
Richard Ortiz, Aikeem Boyd, Jorge Cruz

Housing and Community Development Staff: Anjerice Miller, Senior HCD Manager, Melissa
Oliveira, CDBG Program Manager, Milta Feliciano, ESG/HOPWA Program Manager

CALL TO ORDER

Co-chair McBride-Lee called the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m. and outlined the agenda as follows:

Today's Special Meeting of the Special CDBG Committee is being convened today to adopt the Program Year 50 Annual Action Plan for CDBG, HESG, HOME, and HOPWA:

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
Homeless Emergency Solutions Grant (HESG)
HOME Investment Partnership
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)

This Special Committee had previously met on March 27th to adopt a resolution and allocations for these federal grant programs; however, it was later discovered that there may have been deficiencies in the public notice required for such meetings under the state's freedom of information statutes.

In an effort to remedy this issue, we are meeting today in public session to formally review the allocation suggestions from the Citizen's Union which met last evening (April 9, 2024) and vote on a resolution adopting a resolution which includes our recommendations for funding and an authorization for the Mayor to sign such agreements as may be necessary to effectuate the PY 50 Annual Action Plan adopted by the City Council.

Once we adopt a revised resolution and allocations this evening, the item will be referred to the full City Council for its consideration and final adoption at its next regularly scheduled meeting. This information will then be publicly noticed for a 30-day period as required by HUD.

Attached is the list of CDBG public service applications with the PY 50 amounts requested.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER BOYD MADE A MOTION TO ENTER INTO THE RECORD AN EXHIBIT, EXHIBIT 4-10-24-A, WHICH INCLUDES:**

THE PROPOSED ALLOCATIONS ADOPTED BY THE CITIZEN'S UNION AT ITS PUBLIC MEETING LAST EVENING.

A PROPOSED LIST OF ALLOCATIONS FROM THE SPECIAL CDBG COMMITTEE HELD ON MARCH 27TH FOR ITS PUBLIC CONSIDERATION.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER CRUZ SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Co-chair McBride-Lee asked if anyone has any questions regarding the application and approval process, the allocations in the exhibit, the programs that applied for funding, or any other relevant questions before we take action on this tonight. Hearing none, Co-Chair McBride-Lee called for a motion to approve.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER BOYD MADE A MOTION TO AMEND ITEM 49-23 BY SUBSTITUTION WITH A REVISED RESOLUTION DATED APRIL 10, 2024 INCLUSIVE OF THE PROPOSED ALLOCATIONS BY THE SPECIAL CDBG COMMITTEE SHOWN IN THE THIRD COLUMN OF EXHIBIT 4-10-24-A.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER ORTIZ SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Councilwoman McBride-Lee read all of the CDBG - Public Service allocations. Milta Feliciano then read the remainder of the allocations contained in the exhibit.

Councilwoman Melendez entered the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

Councilwoman McBride-Lee asked if anyone had any questions regarding the application and approval process, the allocations in the exhibit, the programs that applied for funding, or any other relevant questions before we take action on this tonight.

Hearing no questions, the Chair called for a vote, the vote passed unanimously.

**** THE VOTE TO APPROVE PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Co-chair McBride Lee thanked those for attending and for all the hard work done by the Special Committee on the program with the evaluations and approval of the applications.

ADJOURNMENT

**** CHAIR MCBRIDE-LEE MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN.
** COUNCIL MEMBER BOYD SECONDED THE MOTION.
** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The Special Meeting was adjourned at 5:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Telesco Secretarial Services