



**HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
MINUTES
November 23, 2020**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Human Services Committee meeting was called to order by Committee Vice-Chair, Sue Miller, at 4:06 pm on Monday, November 23, 2020 via Zoom.

Committee Members present: Barb Derda, Carmen Goers, Tammy Gourdine, Janeane La Casse, Kelly Lindberg, Sue Miller, Shawn Parkhurst Paton,

Staff present: Community Services Manager- Joy Scott,
Human Service Program Coordinator- Kyla Wright

Absent: Jason Berry

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Committee Member Barb Derda moved to accept the October 26 meeting minutes; Committee Member Carmen Goers seconded the motion. All committee members were in favor of adopting the minutes as amended.

The October 26, 2020 meeting minutes were approved.

III. MISCELLANEOUS

- Staff led a discussion and deliberation of the 2021 CDBG-CV applications and began by presenting an overview of the applications received:

YMCA- Childcare Assistance, \$150,000, to serve Auburn families with school aged children, prioritizing BIPOC communities, to provide social and developmental support for children and the opportunity for parents to maintain or increase work productivity.

YMCA- Food Assistance, \$75,000- designed to deliver food to Auburn's senior population living in local low-income housing communities.

YMCA- Arcadia, \$50,000 to provide additional staff capacity to provide mental health support to clients impacted by COVID-19.

YMCA- Rental Assistance, \$300,000, to provide up to three months of rental assistance per household to prevent eviction.

Orion- Employment Services, \$50,000, to provide both training for a path to employment and support to those entering a new field to maintain employment

YWCA- Eviction Prevention and Career Navigation, \$374,660, to provide career and re-employment support along with rental assistance.

The six applications totaled \$999,960.00 and the total amount of CDBG-CV funds available is \$746,197.

The Staff recommendation was to fully fund YMCA's Childcare Assistance, Arcadia, and Food Assistance programs, Orion, and YWCA's Eviction Prevention program. The remaining program, YMCA- Rental Assistance would be held as a contingency project to be funded when additional rounds of CDBG-CV funds become available later in 2021. The remaining \$46,237 would be used to fund administrative costs for managing these contracts.

By keeping a contingency application, it allows for a steady stream of funding dedicated for rental assistance throughout the year which will be a much needed resource for community members in the coming months.

The discussion from Committee Members accounted for the advantages of having an necessary program ready to be funded once additional CDBG dollars were made available, without needed to initiate an application and review period. A disadvantage that was discussed was that by retaining an application as a contingency, it reduces the ability for the services to be responsive to emerging needs at the time that additional CDBG-CV funds were available. Committee Members discussed that rental assistance was certainly going to be a community need and that the benefit of expediting this process was worthwhile.

Committee Member Bard Derda made a motion to approve the Staff recommendation for 2021 CDBG-CV funding. Committee Member Janeane La Casse seconded the motion. All Committee Members voted in favor of approving the Staff recommendation for 2021 CDBG0CV funding.

- Kyla gave an update about the 2021-2022 Human Services funded agencies and that initial communication with program staff was underway. Final vote budget approval for the Human Services budget is expected to go to City Council on December 7th. Final vote for the approval for the Annual Action Plan is expected to go to City Council on December 22nd.
- Committee Member expressed the need for an updated roster and coordination for application binder pick up.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Next Human Services Committee Meeting, January 25, 2021 4pm

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:52p.m.

APPROVED THE 25 day of January, 2020 2021

Jason Berry, Human Services Committee Chair



Jeff Tate, Director of Community Development

City of Auburn
Human Services Committee

November 23, 2020

4:00-5:00 p.m.

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

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Call in: 253-215-8782

Meeting ID: 943 3397 6840

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Agenda

4:00 PM Welcome & introductions

- Minutes Jason

Miscellaneous

- NOFA Application Review All
- End of Year Schedule Kyla

- 5:00 PM Adjournment

Additional Information

Notes:

Reminders:

Council vote on budget: Dec.7, 2020

Next meeting: January 25, 2021