

Community Development Agency Special Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 18, 2022

6:30 pm; Common Council Chambers

Roll Call- Jude Jean Francois, Andrew Green, Paul Johnson, Gerald Kleiner, Kate Ramkissoon, Sparrow Tobin , Kevin Witt

Absent: Joseph DeStefano, Joseph Masi, Miguel Rodrigues

Also present: Patricia Racine, Maria Bruni, Leonora Liz

Approval of Minutes 10/03/22

Motion to approve minutes made by Tobin, seconded by Witt

Motion carried: 7-0

Treasurer's Report – Presentation of the 2023 Budget

In front of you are the actuals for the 2021 budget, the estimated for 2022 and the proposed for 2023 through 2026. The 2023 reflects revenue from 3 houses sold and corresponding expense for the renovations. There are few changes from last year for other lines. One change for 2024 is \$150,000 from a HOME grant that we have applied for.

Executive Director's Report –

Thank s to Leonora for working with us on developing the budget. We will be asking you to approve that later in the meeting.

149A Wisner is nearly complete and we have a buyer who will be visiting the property tomorrow.

220 ½ Linden rehab is moving along.

33 Lafayette and 54 Washington asbestos abatements are completed and the interior demo is underway at Lafayette.

Tobin: Going forward is there a plan to scale up this program? Or this is far as we can go with the current manpower? There are other cities that have more abandoned houses. Are we trying to expand? Are we half way there or are we at capacity?

Bruni: We would like to expand it. As you said – manpower. We put these things out to bid and if we had more contractors we could do more. To scale up we need more contractors. Also we applied for a grant from the county that we are hoping to get. That would help us as well. We applied for \$150,000. The more money we can get the more houses we can renovate.

Bills and Communications -

Old Business – none

New Business –

Resolution to approve the 2023 Community development Agency budgets through 2026 and authorize submission to New York State.

Motion made by Johnson, seconded by Ramkissoon

Motion carried: 7-0

A motion to go into executive session for legal counsel.

Motion made by Johnson; seconded by Ramkissoon

A motion to exit executive session was made by Johnson and seconded by Ramkissoon

Adjournment

Motion made by Witt, seconded by Ramkissoon

Motion carried: 7-0