

FY-2023 CDBG FINAL PUBLIC HEARING
Council Chambers, City Hall, Franklin, PA
October 2, 2023

Members Present: Douglas Baker, Mayor
Donna Fletcher, Deputy Mayor
James Johnson
Ryan Rudegeair
Samuel Lyons
Christian Marshall
Todd Zahner

Members Excused: None

In Attendance: Tracy Jamieson, City Manager
Brian Spaid, Esq., City Solicitor
James Wetzel, Deputy Manager
T.J. Parks, Recording Secretary
Amanda Power, Community Development
Cindi Power, City of Franklin
Harmony Motter, City of Franklin
Charles Gibbons, Code Enforcement Officer
Deb Eckelberger, FICDA
Sharon Dorogy, 634 Adelaide Avenue
Terry Schultz, 620 Sibley Avenue
Stephanie Felmlee, Amy's Closet/Sassy's Gifts
Jennifer Taylor, 1526 Buffalo Street
Mel Kirkwood, Tri County Industries
Danielle and Levi Benson, 1256 Liberty Street
Jake and Ashley Smith, 1346 Elk Street
Steve Holtz, 636 Elk Street
Matt Beith, HARB/324 16th Street
Alex Spaid, Dale, Woodard, Gent, McFate
Helen Fielding, The Derrick

Mayor Baker called the meeting to order at 7:03 P.M.

Mrs. Power explained that this was the second and final required public hearing for the City's FY-2023 CDBG Program. She indicated the hearing's purpose is to take final public comment on the proposed uses of the FY-2023 CDBG allocation of \$307,040. After designating \$55,260 for administration, the remaining \$251,780 will be allocated for projects as follows:

- \$118,755 for the milling and paving of South Edgewood Drive that serves as the only roadway into Evergreen Arbors.

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- \$114,005 for the replacement of five (5) deteriorated light poles and luminaries on 13th Street, between Liberty and Buffalo, with new poles and LED ballasts and bulbs, which will also be more energy efficient.
- \$19,020 for the demolition and site clearance of blighted structures.

Mrs. Power further explained that all CDBG activities must benefit low/moderate income persons, prevent or eliminate slums and blight, or address an urgent threat or need. She added that at least 70% of project funds must be used to benefit persons with low to moderate incomes, and that no displacement of families will occur. The street that was chosen to be paved is based on its condition, how quickly it needs addressed, and whether it serves the greatest benefit.

She invited those interested to review the FY-2023 CDBG application and make public comments contacting the Community Development office by 4 P.M. on Friday, October 13, 2023. If there is no opposition to the proposed application, City Council will take formal action on the application at a special meeting at 5 P.M. on Monday, October 23, 2023, to be held in Council Chambers.

There being no comments or questions from the Council, the hearing was adjourned at 7:06 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T.J. Parks', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

T.J. Parks,
Recording Secretary