

FY-2021 CDBG FINAL PUBLIC HEARING
Council Chambers, City Hall, Franklin, PA
October 4, 2021

Members Present: Douglas Baker, Mayor
Donna Fletcher, Deputy Mayor
James Johnson
Fred Mays (Via Teleconference)
Ryan Rudegear (Via Teleconference)
Samuel Lyons (Via Teleconference)

Members Excused: Christian Marshall

In Attendance: Tracy Jamieson, City Manager
Brian Spaid, Esq., City Solicitor
Amanda Power, Community Development Director
James Wetzel, Fire Chief
Kevin Anundson, Police Chief
Charles Gibbons, Code Enforcement Officer
Deb Eckelberger, Economic Development Director
T.J. Parks, Recording Secretary
Dillon Provenza, Venango Newspapers, Inc.
John Mitchell, 413 13th Street
Kelly Johnson, 1217 Liberty Street
Ally-Karen Miller, YMCA/Miller-Sibley Pool
Allison Hartle, 1339 Liberty Street
Rick and Brandi Haines, 408 4th Street

Mayor Baker called the meeting to order at 6:59 P.M.

Mrs. Power explained that this was the second and final required public hearing for the City's FY-2021 CDBG Program in order to take public comment on the proposed uses of the FY-2021 CDBG allocation of \$315,030. After designating \$56,705 for administration, the remaining \$258,325 will be allocated for projects as follows:

- Demolition of Blighted Structures – \$20,000
- 11th and Sassafras Street Storm Water Management – \$80,095
- Street Improvements – \$158,230
 - 11th Street (Liberty to Elk), 12th Street (Railroad to Chestnut), 12th Street (Otter to Elk), South Park (Elk to dead end), West Park (Elk to dead end), and Chestnut Street (10th to 11th)
- Administration - \$56,705

Mrs. Power explained that all CDBG activities must benefit low/moderate income persons, prevent or eliminate slums and blight, or address an urgent threat or need, and that

least 70% of project funds must be used to benefit persons with low to moderate incomes. The streets that were chosen to be paved are based on their condition, how quickly they must be addressed, and serve the greatest city-wide benefit. She advised, however, that paving may not be completed until 2023.

She invited those interested to review the FY-2021 CDBG application and make public comments contacting the Community Development office by Friday, October 15, 2021. If there is no opposition to the proposed application, City Council will take formal action on the application at a special meeting at 4 PM on October 20, 2021, to be held in Council Chambers.

There being no comments or questions from the Council, the hearing was adjourned at 7:08 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T.J. Parks", written in a cursive style.

T.J. Parks,
Recording Secretary