



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes

Community Development Committee

Tuesday, January 9, 2018

4:00 PM

3rd Floor Conference Room

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Tim Kabat at 4:02 P.M.

Roll Call

Present: 6 - Tim Kabat, Linda Lee, Barb Janssen, Phillip Ostrem, Adam Hatfield, Mike Lemmon

Excused: 1 - Vacant 1

Others present: Dawn Reinhart, Mai Chao Duddeck, Kevin Conroy, Tara Fitzgerald, Kevin Clements, Isaac Hoffman, Kim Cable, Melanie Hamel, Sue Lynch, Stephen Trussoni, Joe Van Aelstyn, Jacqueline Marcou, Caroline Gregerson, Julie McDermid, Kahya Fox

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Hatfield, seconded by Ostrem, that the minutes be approved. The motion carried by voice vote.

Agenda Items:

[18-0039](#)

PUBLIC HEARING ON CONSOLIDATED PLAN and 2018-2019 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

Organizations and citizens comment on:

Community Development Issues

Housing Needs

Overall CDBG Program Performance

Impediments to Fair Housing Choice

Caroline Gregerson provided a brief recap of the CDBG application process and the current five year plan. Members of the public spoke on CDBG program performance and provided feedback to the committee. A representative from the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse School of Education thanked the committee for their support through CDBG Programs. The chair of the Goosetown Neighborhood Association shared a need for revitalization of Burns Park. Neighbors in the area have met to discuss this issue, and will be interested in funding from the committee in the near future. One member of the public thanked the committee for being a proactive administration. Another member of the public advocated for the revitalization of Burns Park, and looks

forward to working with the committee. A representative from the La Crosse Area Family Collaborative thanked the committee for its funding and continued support. A representative from Habitat for Humanity thanked the committee for its support of work being done in both Washburn and Powell-Poage-Hamilton neighborhoods. They have seen a rise in appraised values of homes. A representative from the La Crosse Collaborative to End Homelessness thanked the committee for funding vouchers to support folks experiencing chronic homelessness.

[18-0040](#)

Action on Offer to Purchase 911 5th Avenue S *(Note: The Committee and/or Council may convene in closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(e) to formulate & update negotiation strategies and parameters. Following such closed session, the Committees and/or Council may reconvene in open session.)*

Attachments: [Memorandum](#)
 [Scope of Work-Exhibit A 911 5th Ave](#)

A motion was made by Hatfield, seconded by Ostrem, to enter into closed session to discuss the investment of public funds. The motion carried by unanimous vote. A motion was made by Hatfield, seconded by Ostrem, to convene into open session. The motion carried by voice vote. A motion was made by Ostrem, seconded by Lemmon, to deny the Offer to Purchase 911 5th Avenue S. The motion carried by voice vote.

[18-0049](#)

Approval of Acquisition of 708 Charles Street

Attachments: [1-3-2018 Acquisition 708 Charles St](#)

A motion was made by Hatfield, seconded by Ostrem, to approve the acquisition of 708 Charles Street per the staff recommendation. The motion carried by voice vote.

[18-0045](#)

Acquisition of 508 Winnebago Street *(Note: The Committee and/or Common Council may convene in closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. sec. 19.85(1)(e) to consider the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Following any closed session, the Committee and/or Council may reconvene in open session.)*

Attachments: [1-3-2018 Acquisition 508 Winnebago St](#)
 [Acquisition Criteria Check list](#)

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[18-0048](#)

Approval of amendment to CDBG 2017 Annual Action Plan to re-allocate of \$29,803 for Caledonia Lighting Projects to 2018 Logan Northside Neighborhood Association Lighting Project.

A motion was made by Ostrem, seconded by Lee, to approve the amendment.

The motion carried by voice vote.

[18-0061](#)

Modification to 1827 Avon Street purchase agreement

Adjournment

A motion was made by Hatfield, seconded by Ostrem, to adjourn the meeting at 5:01 P.M. The motion carried by voice vote.

Notice is further given that members of other governmental bodies may be present at the above scheduled meeting to gather information about a subject over which they have decision-making responsibility.

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