

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
PUBLIC HEARING
March 14, 2022
City of Bristol
2022-2023 Community Development Block Grant Program
6:00 P.M. BRISTOL CITY HALL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

ATTENDEES: Howard Schmelder, Michael Zammett – ECD Commissioners

STAFF: Dawn Leger, Grants Administrator
Justin Malley, Executive Director-ECD
Christine Cooper, Administrative Assistant

The Hearing was called to order by ECD Policy Committee Chairperson Howard Schmelder at 6:00 p.m.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Opening Remarks were read by Commissioner Schmelder:

Welcome to the second Public Hearing for the CDBG Annual Action Plan for Program Year 48 beginning July 1, 2022. I am Howard Schmelder, Chair of the CDBG Policy Committee.

ECD board members and staff were introduced.

Each year, as part of the required public process in the CDBG consolidated and annual planning for funding allocations from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the City of Bristol, through the Economic and Community Development Department, holds meetings and public hearings for the purpose of announcing and discussing the ECD's recommendation of programs and funding for submission to the ECD Board, the Bristol City Council, and finally to HUD.

The allocation from HUD for Year 48 has not been announced yet, so these preliminary recommendations are based on an estimated allocation of \$650,000. The ECD Policy Committee met and approved the proposed use of funds on March 7, 2022. Depending on the actual funds awarded by HUD, the allocations may be revised. Notice of the final allocation will be published in the Bristol Press.

A Public Comment Period begins today and continues until April 15, 2022. The ECD will forward all written comments to HUD. If anyone wishes to make a comment about these recommendations, please state your name, the agency you represent and the address for the record. Please clearly identify yourself prior to speaking. You may also email your comments to dawnleger@bristolct.gov.

Is there anyone here from the public who would like to address this committee? There was no public comments.

We will now hear from the applicants. Please state your name for the record, the agency you represent, and the address of the organization,

Presentations by applicant organizations

1. Donna Osuch, United Way of West Central CT, 440 North Main St., Bristol
Ms. Osuch thanked the committee for the opportunity to apply.
2. Christine Thebarger, Executive Director, St. Vincent DePaul, 19 Jacobs St., Bristol
Ms. Thebarger thanked the committee for their consideration.

3. Tamara Carlson, COO, Bristol Boys and Girls Club, 255 West St., Bristol
Ms. Carlson thanked the committee for all they have done for them.
4. Jason Morrocco, Project Manager, City of Bristol, Public Works Department
Mr. Morrocco thanked the committee. They are looking for funding to have a walkable downtown.

No other comments were forthcoming from the Public.
The Public Hearing was closed at 6:05p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Cooper, Recording Secretary