

BUFFALO URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY
December 3, 2009
ROOM 209

MEMBERS AND

OFFICERS PRESENT:

Mayor Byron Brown
Andrew Eszak
Council President Franczyk
Commissioner Penksa
Commissioner Reilly
David Rodriguez, Corporation Counsel
Council Member Kearns
Council Member LoCurto
Dominic Bonifacio

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

SECRETARY:

Scott C. Billman

OTHERS PRESENT:

Marilyn Gallivan, Marine Drive Apartments
Jim Folan, Contract Administration
Alan Tober, Community Services
Julia Paul, Council Staff
Darryl McPherson, Division of Audit
David Pankil, CSS Construction
Clarke E. Eaton, Jr., True Bethel Community
Deborah A. Cieloncki, North Buffalo CDC
Karen Privateer, Council Staff
Yvonne McCray, COB-BURA
Lucy Candelario, West Side Community Center
Rob Gilray, BURA
Roseanne Scibilia, University Heights CDC
Deirdre Zaledri, Community Action Organization

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. Mr. Eszak made the motion to waive the reading of the minutes for the **November 5, 2009** meeting, and that they are accepted as amended; seconded by Commissioner Penksa and carried unanimously.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

Mayor Brown announced that Agenda Items 3a through 3h would be taken together.

Agenda Item 3a – CAO Friends to the Elderly

Submitted to Agency Members for approval, is a request for authorization to contract with CAO/Friends to the Elderly for \$20,573 to operate educational, recreational and nutritional enrichment programs for senior citizens living in the Masten district. This program will operate from May 1, 2009 to April 30, 2010. There is no construction or renovation involved with project.

Agenda Item 3b – CAO Pratt Willert Community Center (Senior Program)

Submitted to Agency Members for approval, is a request for authorization to contract with CAP Pratt Willert Community Center for \$20,573 to operate recreational and nutritional enrichment programs for the senior citizens living in the Ellicott District area. This program will operate from May 1, 2009 to April 30, 2010.

Agenda Item 3c – CAO Pratt Willert Community Center (Youth Program)

Submitted to Agency Members for approval, is a request for authorization to contract with CAO Pratt Willert Community Center Youth Program for \$50,573 to operate educational and athletic programs for youth living in the Ellicott District of the City of Buffalo. This program will operate from May 1, 2009 to April 30, 2010.

Agenda Item 3d – West Side Community Services – Crime Awareness Program

Submitted to Agency Members for approval, is a request to contract with West Side Community Services Crime Awareness Program for \$25,573 to provide for a crime prevention program on the City's west side. This program will operate from May 1, 2009 to April 30, 2010.

Agenda Item 3e – North Buffalo Community Development Corp. (Youth Program)

Submitted to Agency Members for approval, is a request to contract with the North Buffalo Community Development Corp. (Youth Program) for \$46,751 to provide for youth, teen and adult activities such as leagues, tutoring, recreation and exercise in the North Buffalo area. This contract will operate from May 1, 2009 to April 30, 2010.

Agenda Item 3f – North Buffalo Community Development Corp. (Senior Program)

Submitted to Agency Members for approval, is a request to contract with the North Buffalo Community Development Corp. (Senior Program) for \$55,181 to provide for senior recreation activities in the North Buffalo area. This program will operate from May 1, 2009 to April 30, 2010.

Agenda Item 3g – University Heights, C.D.A/Gloria Parks Community Center (Youth Program)

Submitted to Agency Members for approval, is a request to contract with University Heights, C.D.A./Gloria Park Community Center (Youth Program) for \$75,573 to provide recreation services to the University District of Buffalo. This program will operate from May 1, 2009 to April 30, 2010. There is no construction or renovation involved with this project.

Agenda Item 3h – University Heights, C.D.A./Gloria Parks Community Center (Senior Program)

Submitted to Agency Members for approval, is a request to contract with University Heights, C.D.A./Gloria Park Community Center (Senior Program) for 50,573 to provide senior recreation services to the University District of Buffalo. This program will operate from May 1, 2009 to April 30, 2010. There is no construction or renovation involved with this project.

Council President Franczyk made the motion to approve Item 3a through 3h contingent on certification of funds by the Agency's Office of Administration and Finance and Agency Counsel approval of all Agreements; seconded by Council Member LoCurto. The motion passed unanimously as to Items 3a through 3c and Items 3e through 3h and by vote of eight in favor and one abstention to Item 3d, made by Mr. Bonifacio due to conflict of interest.

HOME

Agenda Item 9a – Woodlawn Homes – True Community Development Corp.

Submitted to Agency Members for approval, is a request to allocate a total of \$724,839 in HOME funds to True Community Development Corporation to provide for the development of three new single-family homes on Woodlawn Avenue at Kehr just south of E. Ferry for low to moderate income homebuyers. All buyers must have household income less than 80% of the area median income based on family size. The anticipated sales will be between \$80,000 and \$100,000.

Mr. Bonifacio made the motion to approve this item contingent on certification of funds by the Agency's Office of Administration and Finance and Agency Counsel approval of all Agreements; seconded by Corporation Counsel Rodriguez and carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Penksa made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Corporation Counsel Rodriguez and carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

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The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held at **9:30 a.m., December 17, 2009**, in Room 209 City Hall, Buffalo, New York.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott C. Billman
Secretary

Reported by:
Tracy A. Lasker