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BOROUGH OF CARLISLE

Program Year 2023 Community Development Block Grant Budget

PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES May 3, 2023

Present at the meeting: Councilors Crampsie, Hicks, Mellen, Deputy Mayor Landis and Mayor Shultz. Also present were: Borough Manager Armstrong, Assistant Borough Manger Snyder, Water Resources Director Malarich, Sustainable Economic and Community Planning Director Woolston, Human Resource/Risk Management Manager Berrier, Fire Chief O'Donnell, Public Information Coordinator Taylor, Dickinson College Student Ambassador Fisher-Henson, Penn State Law Student Ambassador Powers Borough Secretary Stone.

I. Call to Order

Mayor Shultz called the Public Hearing to order at 5:50 p.m.

II. Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Cumberland County Briefing

The Carlisle Borough Council held a public hearing for the purposes of receiving public input on the proposed Program Year 2023 Community Development Block Grant Budget.

Ms. Heather Tidwell with the Cumberland County Redevelopment Authority, 114 North Hanover Street, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, reported that the Borough of Carlisle will receive funds from the Community Development Block Grant entitlement funds in the amount of \$357,685.00 for Program Year 2023. She stated an advertisement was placed in the newspaper outlining all the programs and activities that the Borough proposes to fund with the block grant program.

Ms. Tidwell highlighted that Hope Station is eligible for funding through the County CDBG program and will not pursue funding from the Borough.

Other modifications to the CDBG budget:

- Hold funding for the Rental Housing Assistance since ample monies are still available.
- Employment Skills Center will use unexpended funds for soft skills training.
- Memorial Park/Lincoln Cemetery Upgrades

New programing included in the PY 2023:

- Stuart Community Center Utility Payments to support programming for a daycare center on the second floor.
- Anthology Project that could potentially compile an anthology of burial grounds and properties of historical distinction

Tree Program that would provide up to \$3,000 for the removal of a tree as approved by the Borough contingent upon a Borough-approved replacement planting occurs. Discussion was held regarding promoting the energy assistance program for residents. Ms. Tidwell reported the state allocated two million dollars to Cumberland County for home repairs and energization. The program is called Whole Homes and will be promoted and implemented in the near future.

Borough Manager Armstrong provided a summary of the tree program for low to moderate-income property owners that are in need of a replacement shade tree in front of their property. She noted those eligible could also qualify for the removal of the tree as well as sidewalk repair assistance. These programs will be promoted by the Borough Codes staff while out engaging with the community.

III. Public Comment

Mr. Jeff Adams, 137 F Street, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, inquired if the funds allocated for tree planting include proper tree installation of the tree. Borough Manager Armstrong explained the Shade Tree Commission reviews the appropriate trees for planting and assists in overseeing the planting of the trees.

IV. Adjournment of Public Hearing

The meeting was adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

	Sean M. Shultz, Mayor
Joyce E. Stone	
Borough Secretary	