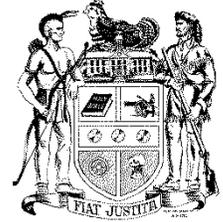


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**BOROUGH OF CARLISLE
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
September 13, 2018**

Mayor Scott called the Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilor Fulham-Winston led the Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilmembers present: Councilors Crampsie, Flower-Webb, Fulham-Winston, Guido, Landis, Deputy Mayor Shultz and Mayor Scott. Also present were: Borough Manager Candland, Assistant Borough Manger Armstrong, Public Works Director Malarich, Planning/Zoning/Codes Manager Skelly, Finance Director Juday, Fire Chief Snyder, Human Resource Supervisor Hamilton, Public Information Coordinator Taylor, Solicitor Brenneman and Borough Secretary Stone.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS AND VISITORS TO BE HEARD

RECOGNITIONS

- A. Mr. Greg Parrish with the Employer Support with the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) presented to Chief Landis the National Guard Patriots Award. Sgt. Heredia submitted the recommendation to ESGR for Chief Landis to receive the award. Chief Landis was acknowledged for the support he provides as a patriotic employer, which allows employee participation in America's National Guard component forces.
- A. Mayor Scott swore in three new police officers to the Borough of Carlisle Police Department. The new officers that were received into the department were Jamie Dimartile, Ronald Hoover and Ryan Stover.

At 7:12 p.m., Mayor Scott announced that Council would recess for photo opportunities with the newly sworn in officers. Council reconvened at 7:28 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilor Flower-Webb made a motion, seconded by Councilor Guido, to approve the Consent Agenda. Council unanimously voted (7-0) to approve the Consent Agenda, which consisted of the following items:

A. **Minutes:**

- 1. *Council Meeting 08/09/2018*

B. **Approval of Bills and Investment Transactions:**
Expenditures as of August 31, 2018:

<i>General Fund</i>	\$ 815,383
<i>Water Fund</i>	\$ 401,888
<i>Sewer Fund</i>	\$ 928,449
<i>Solid Waste Fund</i>	\$ 53,271
<i>Parking Fund</i>	\$ 22,899

<i>Capital Projects Fund</i>	\$ 198,588
<i>Highway Funds</i>	\$ 47,602

C. Attendance Approval:

1. *Borough Manager Candland attending the Annual ICMA on September 23 - 26, 2018 in Baltimore Maryland.*
2. *Matt Candland or Susan Armstrong attending the Pennsylvania Municipal League Annual Summit on October 4 - 6, 2018 in Cranberry Township, Pennsylvania.*

D. HARB:

Council approved the following HARB items:

1. *A request by Mr. Ron Grasso for a Certificate of Appropriateness at 256 South Pitt Street to replace standing-seam metal roof covering on the front porch with new standing-seam metal roof covering*
2. *Two requests by Ms. Jennifer Steiner for Certificates of Appropriateness at 155 South College Street proposing first, to install 66' of 6'-high cedar semiprivate fencing and 43' of 2"x4" green wire mesh fencing, and second, to install iron handrails at the West South Street entrance, the North College Street entrance, along the north side porch, and at the rear entrance.*
3. *A request by Ms. Tenzin Norbu for a Certificate of Appropriateness at 49 West High Street to install an overhanging sign 24" x 36" in area on a black iron bracket, sign to read "Yak N Yeti II".*
4. *A request by Liberty Holding Company and Ms. Hyun Joo (tenant) for a Certificate of Appropriateness at 6 South Hanover Street to install a wall sign 43" x 188" in area above the storefront, sign to read "HJ BARBERSHOP".*
5. *A request by Dr. Gerald Martin for a Certificate of Appropriateness at 64 South West Street to remove and replace three (3) windows in a bay window unit and to remove and replace two first-floor windows on the west side of the building as well as deteriorated exterior wood, with all associated surfaces to be painted. In addition, the replacement of rear porch railing and posts is proposed.*
6. *A request by Mr. Chad Kimmel for a Certificate of Appropriateness at 26 West High Street to create a new patio seating area at the rear of the Grand Illusion Cider bar to include paver blocks, a treated wood pergola, two serving bars, a wall to visually block off the existing stairway, and the replacement of the rear door.*

E. Mayor's Report:

1. *Borough Manager Candland or Assistant Borough Manager Armstrong appointed as the Borough's voting delegate at the Pennsylvania Municipal League, 119th Annual Convention on October, 2018. It will be determined later which of the two will be attending the convention.*

F. Parks and Recreation Committee:

1. *Borough Council approved the Fall 2018 Recreation Program Fee Resolution.*

G. Public Safety Committee:

1. *Borough Council approved a Special Events Application from the Carlisle Theatre requesting 10 reserved parking spaces. The reserved parking spaces will be located in front of the theatre in the first block of W. High Street. This request is for a concert being held on November 16, 2018.*
2. *Borough Council authorized the Borough Solicitor to draft and advertise an ordinance amending the Code of the Borough of Carlisle, with respect to Chapter 244, Vehicles and Traffic, to modify the prohibition against the parking of vehicles at all times and certain locations around the intersection of North College Street and A Street.*

REGULAR AGENDA

TABLED, CONTINUED, AND RECURRING ITEMS

None

REPORTS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

None

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

A. Community Planning & Smart Growth Committee:

1. Borough Council voted 4-3-0 with Councilors Flower-Webb, Fulham-Winston and Guido casting the dissenting vote to approve a zoning ordinance (text) amendment request, submitted by Carlisle Tire & Wheel 2, LP, applicable to Section 255-120.A.40. (Crampsie/Flower-Webb)

Councilor Landis remarked that moving forward, the Borough should evaluate all new developments to ensure they meet the desires for the town and to set up their success.

Councilor Flower-Webb noted she would like the Borough to have the details from PIRHL of the homeownership component in written document. She inquired if a resident would be required to live in a phase 1 house for fifteen years to be qualified to purchase a house. Ms. Lara Schwager remarked the requirement would be at the fifteenth year the tenant would have the opportunity to purchase a unit after they complete the requirements. She noted two to three years prior to year fifteen they will begin engaging residents in that process.

Councilor Landis expressed concern that moving forward PIRHL and the Borough should have a plan in place that would enable residents to have a sense of community and build success for the community. Ms. Schwager replied that welcome packages will be provided to new residents and the property managers will be proactive in the PIRHL community.

There was a discussion on Passive Housing and how if air is not properly circulated, mold will occur. Ms. Schwager noted the PIRHL houses would be built as enterprise green homes, which are Energy Star efficient. Ms. Landis expressed interest in the present building design and if changes can be made to improve, the sense of community. Ms. Schwager offered to set up a design meeting to discuss concerns and ideas.

Councilor Flower-Webb suggested that home ownership information should be presented with the residents' welcome packets. She thinks it is important to convey that information up front. Councilor Flower-Webb also expressed her disappointment in the lack of Borough residents that were hired during the construction of Phase I and she would like to work with PIRHL on the employment aspect in Phase II. She noted there were programs in place such as My Brother's Keeper that provided training to Borough residents to prepare them for employment. Ms. Schwager noted the My Brother's Keeper initiative program did not have money to fund the program and it is difficult to require subcontractors to hire local.

Councilor Landis remarked that she inquired earlier on as to why there was not any outreach to the local community for jobs opportunities during the construction of Phase I and moving forward in Phase II this should be considered. Ms. Schwager replied that there was not any connectivity in conversation during the first phase of the project. She mentioned the new project manager, Joel Patterson, will now work with CCHRA on the local hiring aspect. Ms. Schwager explained that language should be added to the PIRHL contract that requires subcontractors to reach out to the community for employment opportunities of local residents.

Ms. Schwager announced that Price-Rite has made a site visit to the PIRHL development and they have expressed an interest in coming to the community. The company would occupy a 15,000 square foot space on the site. She noted they would continue to work on searching for other businesses in the event Price-Rite does not come through.

Councilor Flower-Webb inquired if the project additions that were previously discussed in this meeting could now be added to the deed to ensure that there is follow through in the future. Ms. Schwager responded that the additional recommendations could be added in a developer's agreement. The Solicitor concurred that language can be added to the document.

Deputy Mayor Shultz mentioned that employing local residents and the commercial component on this project are very important to Council. He encouraged PIRHL to reach out to the Borough for assistance with any obstacle that may occur with Price Rite. There was discussion regarding asking for support from the state officials to assist Price-Rite's efforts in obtaining funding. Ms. Schwager will circulate the information to the representatives in Harrisburg.

Councilor Fulham-Winston inquired what would happen if PIRHL does not receive the RACCP funding. Ms. Schwager stated they have requested Price-Rite to submit a financial offer with and without RACCP funding. Until that is received, it is not known what would occur.

2. Borough Council voted 7-0 to accept and approve for submission the Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for the period covering July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. (Crampsie/Flower-Webb)
3. Borough Council voted 7-0 to authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement by and between the Borough of Carlisle [Borough] and the Redevelopment Authority of the County of Cumberland [the Authority] to permit the Authority to administer and execute the Borough's Fiscal Year 2018 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program in accordance with all applicable local, state and federal laws, rules and regulations. (Crampsie/Flower-Webb)

4. Borough Council voted 7-0 to approve a Resolution, Statement of Assurances, and associated documents authorizing an application to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) HOME Investment Partnerships Program funds in the amount of \$ 53,000 (fifty-three thousand dollars) for HOME CHDO operating assistance for Tri-County Housing Development Corporation, Ltd., the Borough's designated Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO). (Crampsie/Flower-Webb)

B. Budget & Finance Committee:

1. Borough Council voted 7-0 to authorize the Borough Solicitor to draft and advertise an ordinance establishing a stormwater utility fee. Deputy Mayor Shultz amended the motion to include the following: an effective start date of July 1, 2019. (Shultz/Crampsie)

Deputy Mayor Shultz noted that extra fees are not welcomed, but due to the disrepair of the Borough's water and sewer infrastructure, these are necessary steps. The fees will assist with stormwater issues and federal compliance. He noted the fee would affect every user of stormwater, including all those entities that do not pay taxes. Deputy Mayor Shultz asked for the draft ordinance to include the fee commencement to begin in the third quarter of 2019. This would allow time for the non-profit organizations to build the stormwater fee into their budgets.

There was agreement among Councilors to begin the fee commencement in the third quarter of 2019. There was also discussion on placing a rate cap on the stormwater utility fee. Solicitor Brenneman remarked that because this is not a tax, a rate cap is not permitted due to restricting future Councils from raising the rate out of necessity.

2. Borough Council voted 7-0 to approve the 2019 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) budgets in the amount of \$650,490 to fund the police, non-uniformed employees, and 401(a) pension plans for 2019 as required by Act 205 of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Borough Council approved an amendment to the 2018 Police MMO budget for an increase of \$11,785 for a new total amount of \$319,016. (Shultz/Crampsie)

C. Economic Development Committee:

1. Borough Council voted 7-0 to enter into an Engineering Contract with Michael Baker International, Inc. for \$12,300 to prepare a statement of probable project costs for the design, permitting and construction of transportation improvements to the intersection of Clay/N. Hanover/Bedford Streets and develop a fair share contribution approach for the project, subject to the approval of the Borough Solicitor. (Flower-Webb/Fulham-Winston)

D. ERCP Committee:

Councilor Guido noted that she met with Deputy Mayor Shultz to interview candidates for the current openings on the boards and commissions.

1. Borough Council voted 7-0 to appoint Mr. Gary McCormick to a partial term on the Municipal Authority Board. This term will become effective immediately and shall expire on December 31, 2019. (Guido/Shultz)
2. Borough Council voted 7-0 to appoint Mr. John Schnibben to a first full term on the Civil Service Commission. This term will become effective immediately and shall expire on July 31, 2024. (Guido/Shultz)

E. Public Safety Committee:

1. Borough Council voted 7-0 to authorize the closure of approximately 275 feet of C Street (between North West Street and Factory Street) on October 19 & 20, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. each day to facilitate the Auction of Contents of warehouse owned by Firehouse Antiques. Firehouse Antiques would be responsible for 100% of the variable costs and 10% of the fixed costs to hold this event. (Scott/Guido)

F. Public Works Committee:

1. Borough Council voted 7-0 to approve by resolution the execution of a Street Light Services Agreement with PPL Electric Utilities Corporation (PPL) for the conversion of streetlights in the Borough owned by PPL from high-pressure sodium light fixtures to LED light fixtures subject to the Borough Solicitor's satisfactory review and approval. (Fulham-Winston/Landis)

Borough Manager Candland asked Council if there was interest in beginning with a pilot program or changing across the board. Councilor Landis suggested notifying the public was important and if possible, begin at a certain location to allow public input. Council discussed beginning in a nonresidential area and agreed to a controlled implementation and to use social media to inform the public.

2. Borough Council voted 7-0 to consider authorizing the Mayor to sign the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection Sewage Facilities Planning Module Exemption Form for a connection to the Borough's sanitary sewer system from the proposed Taco Bell restaurant development at 401 E. High Street. (Fulham-Winston/Landis)
3. Borough Council voted 7-0 to hire BL Companies, Inc. to prepare design documents sufficient to obtain a NPDES Permit for construction of the Carlisle Urban Stormwater Park for a not-to-exceed fee of \$55,800, subject to review and approval of the agreement by the Borough Solicitor. (Fulham-Winston/Landis)

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Landis noted the West Side Neighbors met twice with the PIHRL's property manager and some positive aspects came out of those meetings. She mentioned Tim Whelan attended and answered questions at the meetings. Councilor Landis shared that Dickinson College is developing a new center for civic learning and action to engage the students in the community. She also acknowledged a Borough employee at the Borough's compost facility for his positive attitude.

Councilor Guido stated she took a ride along with a police officer and acknowledged the police officers for a job well done. She suggested for other Council members take a police ride along. Mayor Scott extended the police ride along invitation to the public.

Mayor Scott announced he would be hosting a breakfast and voter registration event at the Sertoma Club on October 6th. The event will be to inform citizens where they are to vote and also register citizens to vote.

Deputy Mayor Shultz shared that it often goes unnoticed that police officers in Carlisle and around country are an inspiration to the youth in the community.

Councilor Flower-Webb congratulated Chief Landis on the award that he received. She provided an update of new businesses that have recently opened such as the Jewels of India, Cooking School, Yak & Yeti and the Juicery. Councilor Flower-Webb also toured the new Dickinson College Dorm and attended the opening ceremonies at the Army War College.

Councilor Crampsie acknowledged the new youth initiative that began in Carlisle lead by Chief Landis. He stated he is inspired by the excitement of the group and their efforts to reach the youth in our area.

Mayor Scott announced that Council met prior to the Council meeting to discuss pending litigation, personnel and land acquisition.

There being no further business or public comment, the meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

Timothy A. Scott
Mayor

Joyce E. Stone
Borough Secretary

PIRHL Zoning Text Amendment Ordinance

Public Hearing Minutes

September 5, 2018

Councilor Crampsie called the Public Hearing to order at 6:45 p.m.

Councilmembers present: Councilors Crampsie, Flower-Webb, Fulham-Winston, Guido, Landis, Deputy Mayor Shultz and Mayor Scott. Also present were: Borough Manager Candland, Assistant Borough Manger Armstrong, Public Works Director Malarich, Planning/Zoning/Codes Manager Skelly, Finance Director Juday, Fire Chief Snyder, Human Resource Supervisor Hamilton, Public Information Coordinator Taylor, Solicitor Brenneman and Borough Secretary Stone.

The purpose of the Public Hearing was for the consideration of receiving public comment on a text amendment request to the Code Of The Borough Of Carlisle With Respect To Chapter 255-120(A)(40) to change to the following: Garden Apartment, subject to compliance with Section 255-199A(17) and subject to the following additional requirements:

- A. The average unit size with in the project shall be a minimum of 1,000 square feet.
- B. Square footage for each apartment unit shall be measured from the outside face of exterior wall to the centerline of interior demising walls, and shall also include any balcony or porch that is exclusive to a single unit.

Mr. Hubert Gilroy of Marston Law Office, remarked that the plan was reviewed by the Cumberland County Planning Commission and the Carlisle Borough Planning Commission.

After receiving no public comment, the hearing was adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Stone
Borough Secretary

CAPER
Public Hearing Minutes

September 5, 2018

Councilor Crampsie called the Public Hearing to order at 6:55 p.m.

Councilmembers present: Councilors Crampsie, Flower-Webb, Fulham-Winston, Guido, Landis, Deputy Mayor Shultz and Mayor Scott. Also present were: Borough Manager Candland, Assistant Borough Manger Armstrong, Public Works Director Malarich, Planning/Zoning/Codes Manager Skelly, Finance Director Juday, Fire Chief Snyder, Human Resource Supervisor Hamilton, Public Information Coordinator Taylor, Solicitor Brenneman and Borough Secretary Stone.

The purpose of the Public Hearing was for the consideration of receiving public comment on the submission of the Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for the period covering July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Ms. Kate Molinaro, Redevelopment and Housing Authorities of Cumberland County, 114 North Hanover Street, Carlisle, Pennsylvania provided an overview of the CAPER. In this program year, she noted the Borough met the requirements. Ms. Molinaro added the entire report would be available in the Manager's Office, at the Redevelopment and Housing Authorities of Cumberland County, as well as Bosler Memorial Library. A copy of the Summary of Accomplishments that Ms. Molinaro reviewed is attached to these minutes.

There being no public comment, the hearing was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Stone
Borough Secretary

Attachment:
CAPER Accomplishments

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

BOROUGH OF CARLISLE CDBG PROGRAM 2017 CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT

The Borough is required to make available for public review and comments the activities it carries out with its Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) grant funds. The Borough has prepared its Consolidated Annual Performance Report (CAPER) for Program Year 2017 (year ending June 30, 2018). The purpose of the CAPER is to report on the Borough's progress in achieving the goals and objectives in its Five-Year Consolidated Plan, specifically during the program year ended June 30, 2018. Borough Council will hold a public hearing to review the CAPER at 6:55 pm on September 13, 2018 at 53 West South Street, Carlisle, PA 17013. Council will take final action on the approval of the CAPER during their regularly scheduled meeting on September 13, 2018 at 7:00pm located at 53 West South Street, Carlisle, PA 17013. The CAPER is due at the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) no later than September 30, 2018.

A summary of the CAPER will be available for review during the period August 22 – September 13, 2018 at the following locations; Cumberland County Redevelopment Authority, 114 North Hanover Street, Carlisle, PA 17013, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday; and Bosler Free Library, 158 West High St, Carlisle, PA during regular operating hours. Questions or comments regarding the CAPER or the Borough's use of CDBG funds in general may be directed to the Borough Manager's Office at the address above, or via telephone (717) 240-6920. TDD users may access this number by utilizing the PA Relay service at 1-800-654-5984. Persons with disabilities or non-English speakers wishing to receive special accommodation in order to participate in the Borough meeting on September 13th must notify Ms. Joyce Stone by noon on Wednesday, September 12, 2018.

Tim Scott, Mayor
Borough Council

BOROUGH OF CARLISLE
Community Development Block Grant Program

CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT
Program Year 2017
(July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018)



SUMMARY OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Introduction

The Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) is a requirement of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) that is used to report to the community and to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) various aspects of the Borough's use of its CDBG grant. Among the things the CAPER reports on to the community are:

- Housing needs and how those needs were addressed with CDBG and other funds
- CDBG expenditures during the fiscal year
- Accomplishments during the year
- How well goals and requirements were met

Programmatic Requirements

- **Timeliness:** Unexpended funds may not total more than **1.5** times the current year's grant as of May 2nd each year. The Borough's ratio was **1.41** on May 2, 2018. The Borough was in compliance with the Timeliness rule.
- **Low- and Moderate-Income Benefit:** The requirement is that at least **70%** of funds expended during the year must benefit primarily low-income and moderate-income persons. The Borough's percentage was **87.84%**.
- **Public Service Cap:** A maximum of **15%** of funds may be obligated for public service activities as compared to the 2017 grant allocation and the prior year's program income (\$356,694.20). In 2017, the Borough obligated and spent \$47,009.06 or **13.18%** for this category of activities.
- **Administration and Planning Cap:** No more than **20%** of the 2017 grant allocation (\$326,121) plus program income (\$17,335.08) may be obligated for administration and planning activities. In 2017, the Borough obligated and expended \$52,238.50 and had an unliquidated admin obligation of \$1,064.59. The total obligation and expenditure was **15.4%** of the 2017 grant allocation and program income.

Accomplishments: The accomplishments that follow are those achieved through the expenditure of CDBG and HOME funds. The complete CAPER will include achievements resulting from the expenditure of both federal funds and other funds.

Housing Accomplishments

The Borough spent CDBG funds on the following housing programs:

- **Homeownership:** No funds were distributed for first-time homebuyers in PY 2017.
- **Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation:** A total of \$48,628.07 was expended to assist three households.
- **Rental Housing Rehabilitation:** The Cumberland County Housing Authority expended \$268,673.00 to improve public housing units in the Borough.
- **Sidewalk Improvements:** A total of \$2,287.00 was expended to assist three households.
- **Code Enforcement:** The Borough conducted 1,129 inspections and re-inspections designed to identify and eliminate deteriorating housing and blighting influences in select neighborhoods, where 5,045 residents benefited from the enforcement effort. The Borough expended \$53,804.61 in CDBG funds on Code Enforcement during the year.
- **Beneficiaries: Some of the categories reflect persons assisted by other providers serving Carlisle, not just those served with the Borough's CDBG funds.**
 - **Current Homeowners:** Six existing households.
 - **Homebuyers:** No homes were sold to first time homebuyers.
 - **Racial/Ethnic Composition for OOR & Sidewalks:** Hispanic – 0; White (non-Hispanic) – 6; Black (non-Hispanic) – 0.

Other Accomplishments

- **Carlisle Streetview Program:** Three properties were assisted with the Streetview program in 2017.
- **Economic Development/Shopsteading:** In 2017, one loan was issued in the amount of \$50,000 for the purpose of creating two (2) jobs.
- **Public Services:** The Borough continued to support the Hope Station Opportunity Zone through operations support, utilities, and the Summer Neighborhood Program. In addition, the Borough supported the Employment Skills Center's Workforce Development Training Program.
- **Public Facilities:** The Borough funded stormwater improvements, assisted three properties with façade improvements and completed the final improvements at the Cumberland County Historical Society pocket park that started in the previous reporting year.

Expenditures by Category:

	\$ Expended	% of Total PY 2017 Expenditures
Acquisition	\$0	(0%)
Housing & Related	\$102,432.68	(33.25%)
Public Services	\$47,009.06	(15.25%)
Public Facilities	\$36,216.42	(11.75%)
Planning & Administration	\$52,238.50	(16.95%)
Economic Development (w/ Façade)	\$70,261.25	(22.80%)
PY 2017 Expenditures	\$308,157.91	(100%)

CDBG Financial Summary:

- Unexpended Balance End of Previous Year - \$378,690.40
- PY 2017 Entitlement Grant - \$326,121.00
- PY 2017 Program Income - \$17,335.08
- Total Funds Available in PY 2017 - \$343,456.08
- PY 2017 Expenditures - \$308,157.91
- Unexpended Balance End of PY 2017 – 413,988.57

Evaluation and Comments:

All programmatic requirements have been met.

The Borough met most of its goals in the maintenance of decent, affordable housing through direct assistance to homeowners and renters and by enforcing codes and improving neighborhood facilities. Interest in the Owner-Occupied Rehab program continues to increase; the Borough's pipeline is full of homeowners seeking assistance. The Borough continued to support in various ways the homeless shelters located in the Borough that serve homeless persons from throughout the county.

Public facilities and neighborhood amenities were improved during the year, including major renovations at a community park in the northwest part of the Borough, and in a pocket park downtown. As part of its redevelopment effort, the Borough contributed CDBG resources to the design and engineering of the Carlisle Urban Stormwater Park, a green infrastructure development proposed for the former Masland/IAC site in the Borough's Redevelopment Area. These funds were in addition to over \$100,000 in state funding and \$30,000 in federal funding awarded for the same purpose.

The Borough continued to support the Hope Station Community Services program, which provides services in the areas of the Borough with the highest percentage of low and moderate income persons and families in poverty. In support of its Carlisle Works Initiative, the Borough dedicated resources to the workforce development efforts undertaken by the Employment Skills Center, which provided training for 18 individuals enrolled in the Environmental Technician Training Program. This program targeted the Borough's redevelopment area, an area suffering from high poverty and high unemployment as compared to the rest of the Borough and County.

In summary, the Borough judiciously allocated its spending among housing programs, social services, economic development, job training, and facilities improvements to provide safe, decent, and affordable housing, increase economic opportunities, and enhance the general quality of life for its residents. As in past years, the Borough focused its CDBG-funded activities in the Census Block Groups with the highest concentrations of poverty and with the greatest deterioration of facilities and housing stock.