

City of Goodyear

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Location: Goodyear Justice Center 14455 W. Van Buren St., Suite B101 Goodyear, AZ 85338

City Council Work Session

Mayor Georgia Lord
Vice Mayor Sheri Lauritano
Councilmember Joanne Osborne
Councilmember Joe Pizzillo
Councilmember Wally Campbell
Councilmember Bill Stipp
Councilmember Sharolyn Hohman

Monday, September 28, 2015

5:30 PM

Goodyear Justice Center

1 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lord called the Work Session to order at 5:30 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present 5 - Mayor Lord, Vice Mayor Lauritano, Councilmember Pizzillo, Councilmember

Campbell, and Councilmember Hohman

Absent 2 - Councilmember Osborne, and Councilmember Stipp

3. AGENDA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

3.1 <u>15-5642ws</u> Council will receive a presentation regarding the FY16-17 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) grant cycle.

Development Services Director Christopher Baker briefly outlined the recent history of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. The City received a total of \$994,297 from the program over the last three years. In 2013-2014, the City was awareded \$598,000 for storm drain and waterline improvements in Historic Goodyear, which has been completed. In 2014-15, the City was awarded \$233,597 through the Commercial Facade Loan Improvement Program, which allows the City to provide loans to businesses in the Redevelopment Area to improve facades.

COMMERCIAL FACADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM UPDATE:

This program is available for large and small sites within the redevelopment area. It is a loan, not a grant, and is required to be repaid within ten years. The City has marketed the program to businesses in the Redevelopment Area, focusing on the former Fry's Center and businesses on Western Avenue. There is some limited interest in the program and the City is working with interested businesses to determine if they are a good match for these federal funds. However, due to the terms of the grant, the City may not be able to expend these funds. If this is the case, the City may wish to return the funds to Maricopa County in January 2016 so that the funds can be reallocated to other projects during the FY16-17 grant application cycle. Staff will continue to work with the businesses and will provide an update on the status of this program later this year. The award expires in June 2016.

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CANADA VILLAGE STREET LIGHTING:

The City was awarded \$162,700 to replace lighting in Canada Village. The Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) for this grant has not yet been received by the City so work on the project cannot officially begin. Staff is preparing for the project and anticipate receiving the IGA this fall. There will be 19 street lights installed with three lights in the neighborhood park. The design will start in February 2016, with completion in September 2016.

FY 2016-17 APPLICATION:

An agency may not have more than 1.5 times its current allocation in funds unspent. The City is not eligible to make an application for FY16/17 due to unspent funds exceeding \$244,050.

Staff has focused on non-profit agencies, which may apply for one-time funding. Eligible projects would be those that are listed in the Five-Year Consolidated Plan, typically only new or expanded programs are eligible and only for one-year of funding. The non-profit would submit a grant application and compete for funds, similar to the City of Goodyear's process. Furthermore, a non-profit working in the City of Goodyear would need documentation of support from the City. There has been interest from non-profit agencies to utilize CDBG funds. These agencies may apply to Maricopa County directly for CDBG funds.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

- >Requested clarification of which non-profit agencies the City is targeting.
- >Questioned whether the Federal government has the ability to alter a City's general plan if it accepts federal funding.

4. INFORMATION

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5. ADJOURNMENT

| There being no further business to discuss PM. | s, Mayor Lord adjourned the Work Session at 5:48 |
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| Maureen Scott, City Clerk | Georgia Lord, Mayor |
| Date: | |