

CITY OF KENNEWICK
CDBG COMMITTEE
August 28, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Bobbie Littrell called to order the meeting of the Block Grant Advisory Committee at 4:00 p.m. on August 28, 2024 in the City Hall Council Chambers.

2. ATTENDANCE:

Members Present

Bobbie Littrell, Vice Chair
Bruce Donner
Vel Wright
Carlo D'Alessandro
Jerry Martin
Jim Millbauer, Councilmember
Kylie Peel, Staff Liaison

Members Excused/Absent

Ron Hue, Chair (*unexcused*)
Christy Watts (*unexcused*)
Anthony Muai, Planning Director (*excused*)

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Bobbie Littrell opened the discussion on the March 27, 2024 minutes and asked for a motion. Vel Wright motioned for the minutes to be approved as written. Carlo D'Alessandro seconded the motion – vote approved unanimously.

4. OPEN ISSUES:

None.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

2025 AAP Timeline – Kylie Peel informed the committee that this year's Annual Action Plan timeline will be different than past years since the HOME Consortium is working on updating their required Five Year Consolidated Plan. No final decisions can be made about future funding until the Consolidated Plan is drafted and out for public comment. At this time there are stakeholder meetings set for the week of September 2nd to get local organization's input about what is needed around Tri-Cities that can utilize HUD's funding.

Kylie explained that applications for 2025 CDBG funding is currently open and closes on September 13th. Application presentations are set to occur at the October 23rd committee meeting where a Public Hearing will also be held for citizens to come and give their input about what they believe Kennewick's CDBG funds should be put towards.

Notifications with Civic Clerk – Kylie Peel reminded committee members to get signed up with the new Civic Clerk program to make sure they are being notified of all agendas, minutes, and other notifications, as City staff will no longer be sending out direct emails to committee members. This ensures that all communication stays in one place and is easy to notify of important items.

Project Updates – Kylie Peel gave a brief update for 2024 projects:

Eastgate Walking Path Restoration has been completed as of early August.

13th & Gum St. Sidewalk & Offsites has not started yet. Kylie explained she informed the Housing Authority to not begin work until a PSA is signed in and approved by City Council.

All public service subreceptients are running smoothly and coming to an end of their 2024 programs.

The Splash Pad (2023 project) has not started yet. Construction was put on hold in April 2024 so that heavy equipment wouldn't be around the public pool area with small children, school swim teams, and Partners n

Pals summer camp. The pool season was closed the week of August 19th and a plumbing contractor is set to begin work on site soon. Work is currently scheduled to be completed by October 31st.

6. COMMITTEE COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:

None.

7. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 4:26 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting is set for September 25, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.