



NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCIL COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

Co-Chair: Penrose Hollins, Fourth District

Co-Chair: Jea P. Street, Tenth District

August 29, 2023

3:00 PM

VIRTUAL ZOOM WEBINAR MEETING &
LOUIS L. REDDING CITY/COUNTY BUILDING
1ST FLOOR COUNCIL CHAMBERS
800 N. FRENCH STREET, WILMINGTON, DE 19801**

MINUTES

A. Meeting Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 02:58 PM.

Members present: J. William Bell, David Carter, John Cartier, Dee Durham, Valerie George, Karen Hartley-Nagle, Penrose Hollins, Janet Kilpatrick, Timothy Sheldon, George Smiley, Jea Street, David Tackett, Brandon Toole

Members absent:

B. Approval of Minutes Community Services Committee Meeting 7/25/2023

A motion was made to approve the minutes. It was seconded, and all present were in favor.

C. Review/Discussion of Resolution(s)

None.

D. Review/Discussion of Ordinance(s)

°23-099: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$8,942.44 IN PROGRAM INCOME TO THE ABSALOM JONES SENIOR CENTER RECREATION GRANT TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES, DIVISION OF COMMUNITY RESOURCES **(To be voted on 8/29/2023)** Introduced by: Mr. Hollins, Mr. Street

°23-106: TO APPROPRIATE \$250,000 IN THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND, WITH FUNDS THAT ORIGINATED FROM THE GENERAL TAX STABILIZATION RESERVE, FOR A CONTRACT WITH BE READY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES **(To be voted on 9/12/2023)** Introduced by: Mr. Hollins, Mr. Street

°23-107: TO APPROPRIATE \$400,000 IN THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND, WITH FUNDS THAT ORIGINATED FROM THE GENERAL TAX STABILIZATION RESERVE, FOR A CONTRACT WITH TODMORDEN FOUNDATION TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES **(To be voted on 9/12/2023)** Introduced by: Mr. Hollins, Mr. Street

°23-108: TO APPROPRIATE \$250,000 IN THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND, WITH FUNDS THAT ORIGINATED FROM THE GENERAL TAX STABILIZATION RESERVE, FOR A CONTRACT WITH STUART ALEXANDER AND

ASSOCIATES INC. TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES **(To be voted on 9/12/2023)** Introduced by: Mr. Hollins, Mr. Street

°23-109: TO APPROPRIATE \$3,500,000 IN THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND, WITH FUNDS THAT ORIGINATED FROM THE GENERAL TAX STABILIZATION RESERVE, FOR A CONTRACT WITH DELAWARE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES **(To be voted on 9/12/2023)** Introduced by: Mr. Hollins, Mr. Street

°23-111: TO APPROPRIATE \$20,000 IN THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY HOUSING TRUST FUND TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES **(To be voted on 9/12/2023)** Introduced by: Mr. Hollins, Mr. Street

°23-113: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$58,844.44 IN ACTUAL PROGRAM INCOME TO THE INNOVATIVE DEVELOPMENT EMPOWERMENT AREA (IDEA) HOMEBUYER/HOMEOWNER REHAB GRANT, WHICH IS ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES, DIVISION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING **(To be voted on 9/12/2023)** Introduced by: Mr. Hollins, Mr. Street

°23-114: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$6,128 IN ADDITIONAL STATE OF DELAWARE GRANT-IN-AID FUNDS TO THE ABSALOM JONES SENIOR CENTER FY2024 GRANT, WHICH WILL BE ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES, COMMUNITY RESOURCES DIVISION **(To be voted on 9/12/2023)** Introduced by: Mr. Hollins, Mr. Street

°23-115: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE FEDERAL FUNDS OF \$142,380 PASSED THROUGH THE CITY OF WILMINGTON FROM THEIR ESG-CV FUNDS TO THE HOPE CENTER ESG-CV COW GRANT, WHICH IS ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES, DIVISION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING **(To be voted on 9/12/2023)** Introduced by: Mr. Hollins, Mr. Street

E. Presentations

- **Debris Removal Program**

Carrie Casey, Community Services Department General Manager, introduced Missy Moore, the Administrator for home repair, down payment settlement, and housing development programs. Missy provided a PowerPoint presentation overview of the Debris Removal Pilot Program. Q&A followed with a lengthy discussion involving Dave Carpenter, from the Public Works department. A follow-up conversation will be on the next Public Works committee meeting.

- **Affordable Housing Project Updates**

Carrie Casey, Community Services Department General Manager, gave a brief PowerPoint presentation on upcoming Affordable Housing Projects underway. Q&A followed.

F. Other

None.

G. Public Comment

None.

H. Adjournment

At 4:12 p.m., a motion was made to adjourn the meeting and seconded. All present were in favor.