

COMMUNITY GRANTS ADVISORY COMMISSION

MAY 8, 2019

The Community Grants Advisory Commission of the City of McKinney, Texas met in regular session in Council Chambers, City of McKinney Municipal Building, 222 N. Tennessee Street, McKinney, Texas on May 8, 2019, at 6:30 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Chairman Randy Hubbard, Vice Chairman Essie Hennie, Commissioners Samuel Franklin, Jennifer Mott, Donna Loughmiller, and William Wehunt

Absent: Adriana Pedraza

Staff Members Present: Community Services Administrator Shirletta Best, Community Services Coordinator Camille Smith, Administrative Assistant Judy Hawkins

Chairman Hubbard called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. after noting the presence of a quorum. Administrator Best stated that presenters will be called in turn and will have up to five minutes to present. Following each presentation, commissioners will have up to five minutes to ask questions.

19-0370 Conduct a Public Hearing to Consider McKinney Consolidated Grant Funding Requests for FY 2019-2020. Chairman Hubbard opened the Public Hearing at 6:33 p.m. Alliance of Elite Youth Leadership did not present due to a client event out of town. Assistance Center of Collin County, represented by Executive Director Yvonne Booker, is requesting grant funding of \$15,000 to remove the threat of homelessness for McKinney residents who are pending eviction. Big Brothers Big Sisters Lone Star did not send a representative to present. Boys & Girls Clubs of Collin County, represented by CEO Mike Simpson, is asking for \$30,000 to support the SMART Moves Program. This program provides a safe, positive environment for kids after school and during the summer, and provides training in the prevention of drug and alcohol abuse. Jackie Rakowski presented for the Community Health Clinic. They are asking for \$20,000 to provide indigent medical treatment, specifically chronic diseases, to low income, uninsured individuals and families. Pastor Rafe Wright of Christ Fellowship Church requested grant funding of \$20,000 for their Community Impact Program, which addresses families in

distress who have physical or compliance issues with their houses. These families are low income and do not qualify for help under other assistance programs. This program will work in partnership with the City of McKinney. City House, Inc., represented by Program Director Jennifer Lajoie, is asking for \$3,000 to provide for transportation of homeless youth participating in their transitional living program from McKinney to Plano. Collin County Coordinator Amy Wyatt spoke on behalf of Communities in Schools of the Dallas Region. They are requesting \$30,000 to help provide for a second case management worker at Caldwell Elementary School. Interim Director Angie Bado presented on behalf of Community Lifeline Center. CLC has requested grant funding of \$25,000 for their emergency assistance services program which assists with rent, mortgage, and utilities on an emergency basis. They also requested \$8,000 to support their non-SNAP pantry of household and hygiene products. CASA of Collin County, represented by Executive Director Tricia Clifton, requested \$45,120 to support the training and supervision of volunteers who work with children who have been abused and neglected, and who have been removed from their home by the court system. Advocates insure the child has medical, educational, and basic services that will enable them to heal and thrive while in the custody of the state. Direction 61:3 did not present due to a client issue, but will present on May 9. Habitat for Humanity of Collin County did not present. Due to a conflict of interest, Chairman Hubbard recused himself prior to the City of McKinney's Emergency Utility Assistance Program presentation. Camille Smith, Community Services Coordinator, presented on behalf of this program. The program will have \$20,000 to assist with payment of water bills for residents who do not qualify under other agency programs, providing up to \$400 of assistance to 50 individuals.

Administrator Best noted that grants are presented for consideration under Community Support Grants and Community Development Block Grants. It was further noted that organizations were recommended, but not required, to present to be eligible for a grant award.

Chairman Hubbard closed the Public Hearing at 7:45 p.m.

Commissioners unanimously approved the motion by Commissioner Loughmiller, seconded by Commissioner Mott, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

RANDY HUBBARD
Chairman