

COMMUNITY GRANTS ADVISORY COMMISSION

MAY 9, 2013

The Community Grants Advisory Commission of the City of McKinney, Texas met in regular session in the City Hall Council Chambers, 222 North Tennessee Street, McKinney, Texas on Thursday, May 9, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Jeremiah Hammer, Rachelle Campbell, Kim Hubbard-Hall, Celso Martinez, and Tiffany Russell. Staff members included Christine Lawton, Housing Services Coordinator and Shirletta Best, Community Services Administrator.

Absent: Myra Cisneros Taylor, Debra Carr

13-467 Continue a Public Hearing to Consider Public Comments for CDBG FY 2013-14 Funding Requests

The public hearings resumed at 6:30 p.m.

13-468 Consider/Discuss/Act on CDBG Funding Requests with the Following Agencies Presenting their Requests to the Commission (in order as listed): The Salvation Army, McKinney Texas Corps; Collin County Committee on Aging, Inc., Community Dental Care, CASA of Collin County, Boys & Girls Clubs of Collin County, and the City of McKinney.

Salvation Army, McKinney Corps:

The agency is requesting \$ 10,000 to benefit homeless prevention program to assist McKinney residents with rent and utility payments.

Collin County Committee on Aging, Inc.: The agency requested \$ 28,000 to assist with serving McKinney senior citizens through the Meals on Wheels program.

Community Dental Care: The agency presented a request of \$20,500 to assist low to moderate income seniors, youth and children with basic dental care services.

CASA of Collin County: The agency requested \$ 15,000 to provide Volunteer Advocate Training and Supervision for their Abused/Neglected Child Advocacy program.

Boys & Girls Clubs of Collin County: The agency requested funding for

their SMART Moves Prevention Program in the amount of \$ 20,000 to help teens and pre-teens develop and improve skills around making decisions, resisting social and peer pressures, and coping with the general stressors of growing up.

Holy Family School: The agency requested Tuition assistance for low income families where McKinney residents would receive 4 weeks of free tuition, followed by 4 weeks of discounted tuition at 50% of full tuition. The benefit supplemental would allow parents to secure/maintain employment without worry about childcare.

City of McKinney – CDBG programs: The City of McKinney provided a summary of the CDBG programs which includes public services, the City's Housing Rehabilitation Program, Economic Development and Grant Administration. Only 15% of the total grant can be used for public services and only 20% of the grant can be used for grant and planning administration. The Commission will deliberate on May 23 to make funding recommendations to City Council. Known as the CDBG annual action plan will be under a 30 day public comment period in June before the plan is submitted to City Council for a final public hearing and approval on July 16. The plan will then be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Community Development by August 14. The fiscal year will be October 1, 2013 for the FY 2013-14 program year.

There were no citizen comments.

Commissioner Martinez gave praise to the staff and commented on positive comments from the presenters and appreciation of staff support. Mr. Martinez further stated that he would convey his comments to the Mayor and City Manager at the first opportunity. Other members thanked the staff as well. A motion was made by Ms. Campbell and seconded by Mr. Martinez to close the public hearing at 7:37 p.m. The motion passes unanimously.

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A motion was made by Ms. Russell and seconded by Mr. Martinez to close the meeting. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting ended at 7:37 p.m.

JEREMIAH HAMMER
Chairperson