

## **MCKINNEY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

**MARCH 3, 2022**

The McKinney Community Development Corporation met in regular session in the City Hall Council Chambers, 222 N. Tennessee Street, McKinney, Texas, on Thursday, March 3, 2022 at 8:00 a.m.

**Board Members Present:** Chair Richardson-Woods, Vice Chair Kathryn McGill, Secretary David Kelly, Treasurer Mary Barnes-Tilley, Board Members Jackie Brewer, Rick Glew and Deborah Bradford, and Board Alternate David Riche.

**Board Members Absent:** Ad Hoc Member Joy Booth.

**City Council Members Present:** Mayor George Fuller and Councilman Patrick Cloutier.

**Staff Present:** President Cindy Schneible, City Manager Paul Grimes, Assistant City Manager Kim Flom, Financial Compliance Manager Chance Miller, Director of Parks and Recreation Michael Kowski, Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation Ryan Mullins, Apex Centre Manager Erica Lyght, Downtown Development Manager Andrew Jones, Visit McKinney Interim Director Marie Woodard, Director of Engineering Gary Graham, MCDC Administrative and Marketing Coordinator Linda Jones and MEDC Executive Assistant Melanie Molina.

There were several guests present.

Chair Richardson-Woods called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m. after determining a quorum was present. Board Member Bradford delivered the invocation that was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair Richardson-Woods called for public comments on items not related to public hearings, and there were none.

Chair Richardson-Woods called for a motion on the consent items. Board members unanimously approved a motion by Board Member Brewer, seconded by Secretary Kelly, to approve the following consent items:

**22-0156** Minutes of the McKinney Community Development Corporation Meeting of January 27, 2022.

- 22-0157** Minutes of the McKinney Community Development Corporation TUPPS Subcommittee Meeting of February 1, 2022.
- 22-0158** Minutes of the McKinney Community Development Corporation Finance Committee Meeting of January 25, 2022.
- 22-0159** Minutes of the McKinney Community Development Corporation Promotional and Community Events Grants Subcommittee of January 19, 2022.
- 22-0160** Chair Richardson-Woods called for the Financial Report. Financial Compliance Manager Chance Miller reviewed the January 2021 financials. Revenues were \$1.7 million. Expenses included \$200,000 for community grants, \$450,000 related to parks construction, \$1.1 million for construction projects including TUPPS and Apex, and \$331,000 for debt service. Sales tax for January represents November sales and showed a 23.9% increase over 2021. Mr. Miller explained that some of this growth is attributed to assumed inflation of about 7%. If you factor out inflation, data still shows a 17% true increase. During the same time, Allen saw a 26.4% increase, Frisco saw a 26.9% increase and Plano saw a 27.5% increase. Year-to-date, McKinney has seen a 19.6 % increase. Mr. Miller shared that the FY 2021 audit was finalized and approved by Council this week, and the FY 2023 budget process has begun. Chair Richardson-Woods called for questions on the Checks Issued report, and there were none.
- 22-0161** Chair Richardson-Woods called for Board and Liaison Reports.  
Board Chair. Chair Richardson-Woods shared that March is National Women's History Month, and this year's theme is Providing Healing and Promoting Hope. She recognized women serving in McKinney, both seen and unseen. She thanked MCDC for sponsoring the Black History Month events, adding that events were successful and included a lecture

series, an art exhibit and the Harlem Renaissance Remembered. The planning team will start planning for next year soon. She reminded everyone that two events are being rescheduled due to the weather – Legacy Keepers pop-up museum and MISD Integration Lecture Series. She thanked the whole community for its support and reminded the Board that mckinneybhm.com will continue to have updates on events throughout the year.

City of McKinney. City Manager Paul Grimes shared that budgeting for FY 2023 is underway. City Council held a goal-setting workshop on February 11. FY 23 budget guidelines were approved by Council at the meeting earlier this week, and staff kicked off the budget process on February 23. Mr. Grimes announced that the liquor petition has been certified, and Council will call for a liquor election on the November ballot at the meeting on March 15. He reminded Board members of the Silo Mural event and encouraged attendance.

Visit McKinney. Interim Director Marie Woodard shared that McKinney hosted two big events in January. Attendees from The American Bus Association conference toured Chestnut Square and the Heard Museum, then shopped in Downtown McKinney. The Bridal Show brought about 224 attendees, 55 who left contact information with Visit McKinney for follow-up. Ms. Woodard reminded the Board that the AT&T Byron Nelson is May 9-15. City entities are working together to plan and execute a strong marketing initiative on behalf of the city and significant presence promoting “the 19<sup>th</sup> hole” (entertainment and dining) to attendees at event. Visit McKinney is updating the widget feature on their website to provide links and coupons for dining, shopping and entertainment options in McKinney during the tournament. Also, the Texas Rural Water Association held a board meeting at the Sheraton, which is typically a first step to hosting future meetings and events with an organization. She reminded the Board of the ongoing Historic Walking Tours on second

Tuesdays and fourth Saturdays each month. They have secured additional bookings including Tracy Beard Classic, Frisco Home School Retreat, 2022 ComedySportz, Sellers Surprise 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday, Solar Soccer and the AEYL Basketball Tournament. Ms. Woodard reported that the Fairfield Inn is now open and occupancy has consistently been at 70% to 80%. Ms. Woodard shared that Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) for January 2022 was \$170,465 compared to \$95,014 for January 2021, a 79.41% increase. Board Member Bradford commented that she toured the Fairfield Inn, and it a nice facility. Ms. Woodard added that the hotel is close to Raytheon, and there is other growth coming to that area. Board Member Glew added his compliments regarding the Bridal Show. McKinney Economic Development Corporation. Chair Richardson-Woods directed Board members to the report attached to the agenda. McKinney Main Street/MPAC. Downtown Development Manager Andrew Jones thanked the Board for their support of the Black History Month events, stating that they were happy to host some of the events at MPAC and are excited to start the planning for next year. He reminded that Board about the McKinney Silo Mural Project launch event at Local Yocal. The event will highlight an appearance by the artist, Guido van Helten. He announced that SBG's St. Patrick's Beer Walk will be held Saturday, March 12, adding that each Sip & Stroll event brings about 1,500 visitors, or more, to the Downtown merchants, which is great for business and the merchants are appreciative. On Monday, March 14, Bob Negen will teach small businesses how to thrive in an ever-changing economy filled with big box stores and eCommerce. Mr. Negen is a nationally acclaimed retail expert of WhizBang Retail Training. The event will host businesses from neighboring communities including Denison, Denton, Garland and others to share tips and techniques that make a big difference for small businesses. Board Member Glew complimented the Main Street team on their strategic planning session he attended, adding

that Assistant City Manager Kim Flom did an amazing job moderating the session. Vice Chair McGill shared her enthusiasm for the Silo Art Project. Secretary Kelly asked if the City has seen a design for the silo art. Mr. Jones explained that part of the artist's process is to get to know the community prior to designing the mural.

McKinney Parks and Recreation. Director of Parks and Recreation Michael Kowski announced that the Parks Activity Guides are online. He recognized staff for working through the COVID protocols over the last year and shared that activities are basically back to pre-pandemic levels. Upcoming activities include an overnight Branson trip in June hosted by the Senior Recreation Center. He recognized the McKinney Parks Foundation for their many contributions including the work done at Gray Branch on the creation of new nature trails. Mr. Kowski shared that Parks has recently received two more awards including the Excellence in Maintenance Award for the work of Marty Silletto and the maintenance team and the Chamber of Commerce Development of the Year Award for Old Settler's Park. He thanked MCDC for their partnership in making projects like Old Settler's renovations possible.

Chair Richardson-Woods congratulated MCDC's Quality of Life Award recipients – GraceToChange and Angela Poen.

**22-0162** Chair Richardson-Woods called for the President's Report. President Cindy Schneible thanked Linda Jones for her management and execution of MCDC's Quality of Life Award program. She called attention to the final report for the Parade of Lights, stating that the event drew about 33,000 people to Downtown McKinney. The event is always a great example of the type of event that supports tourism and economic development. Ms. Schneible stated that the Board will be voting on applications for Project Grants today for Cycle I. Cycle II applications will be accepted through March 31.

**22-0163** Chair Richardson-Woods called for consideration/discussion on Apex Centre operational status and special projects update. Director of Parks and Recreation Michael Kowski was joined by Assistant Director Ryan Mullins and the new Apex Centre Manager, Erica Lyght. He shared that Teresa Thomason, also present, had accepted the position of Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation with the City of Allen, but wanted to be sure to participate in the presentation to the board. Ms. Lyght shared membership numbers for the last three years. There was a sharp decrease in membership during the pandemic, but it is now rebounding. Membership was 5,387 in 2019, 3,557 in 2020, 4,025 in 2021 and is 4,200 as of today. She shared important recognition Apex received over the last year including Living Magazine's 2021 Best Health Club/Gym, a high Google rating of 4.4, and their net promoter score of about 65 which is 12 higher than the industry average. Memberships are typically higher in June, July and August when the outdoor pools are open. Family memberships make up about 68% of total memberships, but memberships range in age from youth to seniors. About 93% of memberships are McKinney residents. Ms. Lyght explained that memberships can be paid monthly or annually. Nonresident members generally work in the area or live in an area without a similar facility. Ms. Lyght shared some cancelation data which shows higher rates at the end of summer season. Top reasons for cancelations include concerns about COVID and moving. Staff is currently working on an annual membership retention program for those who join just for the summer months. Ms. Lyght presented scan-in data which showed 445,349 scan-ins during 2021. Ms. Lyght provided information about the new Hydro Course. The Apex Centre was the first indoor facility in Texas and third in the nation to install the NinjaCross™ course, which features two obstacle courses of different skill levels. The course opened to members on December 11 and to the general public on December 17. The course is promoted for

birthday parties and other private events. Regarding financials, Apex ended FY 2021 with a deficit of about \$1 million, compared to a deficit of \$1.5 million in 2020. The majority of revenue is from memberships (80%), while the largest expense is payroll (62%). For FY 2022, the top three goals are to increase membership to pre-pandemic levels (5,200), offer additional revenue-generating programs and continue to develop partnerships with community businesses for sponsorships. Ms. Lyght shared current membership rates, adding that they have not had a rate increase since 2019 but are currently considering an increase. Ms. Lyght will provide the proposed new rates with the Board once they are formulated. Board Member Glew asked for clarification about the Centre's pre-pandemic profitability. Mr. Kowski responded that prior to COVID, Apex Centre was showing a profit of about \$500,000 a year. Mr. Kowski thanked Ms. Lyght for her presentation. Continuing with the state of financials, Mr. Kowski explained that while membership has declined the last couple of years, salaries have increased. He added that without an expansion, space for added programming is limited. He shared that costs for projects approved by MCDC have increased since those approvals, but they are planning to offset the difference in budget vs. actual as much as possible from Parks and Recreation resources. Mr. Kowski stated that the cost for the outdoor slides, based on bids received are nearly triple what was budgeted. They plan to reject the bids, because the return on investment is not worth the expense at this time. Additionally, the outdoor fitness court cost increased about \$600,000, and they are looking for ways to cover that overage with department funds. Mr. Kowski shared that he would like to present some reallocation options to the Board next month, after they have some final numbers on signage. The Apex Centre expansion costs have increased and are now nearly \$41 million. While not a top priority at this time, he asked that MCDC keep this project in mind as they consider other grants. There is

funding of about \$2.5 million set aside for Apex expansion design, but that cost has increased about \$400,000 since originally funded. Mr. Kowski asked for MCDC Board input regarding moving forward with the expansion design. Chair Richardson-Woods stated that the reallocation seems acceptable, adding that the Board projects subcommittee will have to review the expansion in light of the new information provided. Board Member Glew asked what the original estimated cost was for the expansion, and Mr. Kowski replied that the budget was originally just over \$30 million. Secretary Kelly stated that he thought either the City or MCDC would need to bond for the expansion and advised a conversation with Council. Mr. Kelly asked about hours for the Ninja Course, and Mr. Kowski replied that the course is open on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, in addition to private bookings. Mr. Kelly verified that the financials presented today are on a fiscal year basis not calendar year, and Mr. Kowski reminded the Board that the pandemic hit in the middle of a fiscal year. Mr. Kelly inquired regarding how Parks covered the deficit in Apex operational costs. Mr. Kowski responded that the deficit was covered by the city's general fund. Mr. Kowski invited Teresa Thomason to make a few comments. Ms. Thomason, immediate past Apex Centre Manager, thanked the Board members for a strong partnership with MCDC during her tenure at Apex. Board members shared their appreciation for Ms. Thomason's contributions over the years. Chair Richardson-Woods also congratulated Erica Lyght on her promotion and complimented her on the presentation made to the board.

Chair Richardson-Woods recessed the meeting into Executive Session at 8:54 a.m. in accordance with Texas Government Code. Items to be discussed regarding economic development matters include Project 22-01 (Heard Museum), Project 22-02 (McKinney Parks Foundation), Project 22-03 (City of McKinney, Engineering Department), Project 22-04 (City of McKinney, Housing & Community Development), Project 22-05 (ManeGait Therapeutic Horsemanship), Project 22-06 (Badminton AA Real



Estate), Project 22-07 (Boys & Girls Club of Collin County), Project 20-09 (TUPPS Brewery & Entertainment Destination), Project Bluesky, Project Handle, Municipal Facilities, and Project 20-08 (District 121).

Chair Richardson-Woods reconvened the meeting of McKinney Community Development Corporation back into regular session at 9:33 a.m.

**22-0164** Chair Richardson-Woods called for consideration/discussion/action on a Project Grant application submitted by Heard Natural Science Museum and Wildlife Sanctuary (#22-01) in the amount of thirty thousand and NO/100 dollars (\$30,000.00) for expansion of and updates to the ropes course to provide additional program offerings, update equipment and improve accessibility. Amount requested represents 75% of the total project cost. Board members unanimously approved a motion by Board Member Brewer, seconded by Vice Chair McGill, to approve funding as proposed.

**22-0165** Chair Richardson-Woods called for consideration/discussion/action on a Project Grant application submitted by McKinney Parks Foundation (#22-02) in the amount of fifteen thousand five hundred ninety-nine and 98/100 dollars (\$15,599.98) to fund purchase of a Bad Boy Renegade Zero Turn Mower to support maintenance of McKinney parks and trails. Amount requested represents 100% of total project cost. Board members unanimously approved a motion by Board member Bradford, seconded by Secretary Kelly, to approve funding as proposed.

**22-0166** Chair Richardson-Woods called for consideration/discussion/action on a Project Grant application submitted by City of McKinney, Engineering Department (#22-03) in the amount of four hundred thousand and NO/100 (\$400,000.00) for the expansion of Eldorado Parkway from a four-lane divided roadway to a six-lane divided roadway in accordance with the City of McKinney Master Thoroughfare Plan to support the anticipated traffic which will be generated by the H-E-B Development.

Amount requested represents 36% of total project cost. Board members unanimously approved a motion by Vice Chair McGill, seconded by Treasurer Barnes-Tilley, to approve funding as proposed.

**22-0167** Chair Richardson-Woods called for consideration/discussion/action on a on a Project Grant application submitted by City of McKinney, Housing and Community Development Department (#22-04) in the amount of one hundred sixty thousand and NO/100 (\$160,000.00) for home repairs and maintenance for low-income residents in McKinney, Texas. Amount requested represents 100% of total project cost. Board members unanimously approved a motion by Board Member Brewer, seconded by Vice Chair McGill, to approve funding as proposed.

**22-0168** Chair Richardson-Woods called for consideration/discussion/action on a Project Grant application submitted by ManeGait Therapeutic Horsemanship (#22-05) in the amount of five hundred thousand dollars and NO/100 (\$500,000) for funding of site work and construction of a riding arena, community event courtyard and riding trail. Amount requested represents 5% of total project cost. Board members unanimously approved a motion by Vice Chair McGill, seconded by Secretary Kelly, to table this agenda item indefinitely.

**22-0169** Chair Richardson-Woods called for consideration/discussion/action on a Project Grant application submitted by Badminton AA Real Estate, LLC (#22-06) in the amount of one million five hundred thousand dollars and NO/100 (\$1,500,000.00) for funding of construction of a badminton facility to include badminton courts, coach offices and locker rooms located at 8800 Silverado Trail, McKinney, Texas. Amount requested represents 25% of total project cost. Board members unanimously approved a motion by Secretary Kelly, seconded by Vice Chair McGill, to deny this application request.

**22-0170** Chair Richardson-Woods called for consideration/discussion/action on a Project Grant application submitted by Boys and Girls Club of Collin County (#22-07) in the amount of one hundred forty-seven thousand seven hundred forty-six dollars and NO/100 (\$147,746.00) for renovations for recreational facilities including restroom expansion and remodeling and updates to sport court. Amount requested represents 65% of the total project cost. Board members unanimously approved a motion by Board Member Glew, seconded by Secretary Kelly, to approve funding as proposed.

**22-0171** Chair Richardson-Woods called for consideration/discussion/action on MCDC Strategic Priorities for FY 23. Board Member Glew shared that the purpose of today's discussion is to begin preparing for a deeper strategic discussion at the next Board meeting. Mr. Glew led a discussion based on the following five key topics/questions:

1. What do you hope to achieve through the strategic planning session? Examples of types of things to consider/discuss would be list of priorities or policy changes.
2. Are there any specific projects of interest that you personally would like to see addressed in the next one to three years? An example was Board Member Bradford's suggestion last year to work with youth outside of sports opportunities. Another example was interest generated in resuming discussion for the establishment for a collaborative non-profit initiative which has now led to the One Heart McKinney collaborative initiative – sparked by The Mustard Seed project application.
3. Reviewing the current list of priority categories (not ranked) and consider what might be missing, what might be redundant or what might already be achieved. The current list will be forwarded to Board members for review and ranking. Chair Richardson-Woods

clarified that upon receiving that list, Board members should individually review the list and be prepared to discuss at the next meeting. Chair Richardson-Woods suggested everyone individually rank the list, so that we can identify common priorities easily. Others agreed, and Ms. Schneible will provide the information in a format for ranking. Vice Chair McGill shared that, while working with Ms. Schneible on the pie-chart illustrating historic grant awards, it was eye-opening to see the categories of focus for MCDC funding. Mr. Glew shared that about two-thirds of funding has gone to Parks. Ms. Schneible responded to a question regarding MCDC's commitment to Parks and Rec funding, indicating that the annual \$5.5 million allocation would be in place through FY 25. Ms. Schneible shared that retail and dining was a key area of focus about four years ago, but that could potentially take a lower priority moving forward with the approvals and progress of Hub 121, District 121 and The Hub. Mr. Glew added that three years ago, there was a focus on developing along 121, and that is happening now. Board Member Brewer asked when we might have guidance from Council on the direction of Parks and Rec funding in the future. Ms. Schneible responded that it may depend on projects north of 380, sales tax revenue performance, whether MCDC provides funds for road infrastructure, and how plans for an Apex expansion develop. Secretary Kelly shared that a major priority in his mind is helping with the success of the One Heart McKinney non-profit collaborative initiative. President Schneible commented that at this time there is not much MCDC can do from a funding standpoint. Mr. Kelly agreed and emphasized the importance of coming alongside with a public message of commitment to be

there when they need us to help move momentum and support forward.

4. Consider issues and opportunities that the Board should consider when identifying priority initiatives. An example may be diversity and inclusion elements of projects considered for funding or priority projects. She added that as an example, the Boys & Girls Club project was not presented as a diversity and inclusion project, however it was an example of a project that demonstrates a commitment to diversity and inclusion. Chair Richardson-Woods emphasized a preference for identifying some internal cornerstones and establishing some guidelines to help in evaluating grants versus setting required criteria. Board Member Brewer suggested that Board members have a copy of the guidelines and priorities in hand when evaluating and voting for grants. Vice Chair McGill suggested consideration for adding those guidelines as part of the MCDC Mission and branding. Secretary Kelly commended the Board for already being focused and deliberate on diversity and inclusion. Treasurer Barnes-Tilley suggested that opportunities for Board members participation in diversity and inclusion training, be explored and others agreed.
5. Should the Board consider a policy to govern the structure of participation in Public-Private Partnership opportunities and projects. And, if so, initial conversations regarding those opportunities could disclose the policy direction. For example, considering loans versus grants for P3 projects. Secretary Barnes-Tilley suggested a guide sheet would be particularly helpful when evaluating public-private partnerships. President Schneible acknowledged that it would be helpful for her and the Potential Projects committee in early potential project conversations.

Chair Richardson-Woods called for Board action from the Executive Session. Board members unanimously approved a motion by Chair Richardson-Woods, seconded by Board Member Glew, to approve the amendment to the Project Bluesky agreement as discussed in executive session.

Chair Richardson-Woods called for a motion to adjourn. Board members unanimously approved a motion by Secretary Kelly, seconded by Vice Chair McGill, to adjourn. Chair Richardson-Woods adjourned the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

A video recording of this meeting is available through the City of McKinney meeting archive.

These minutes approved by the MCDC members on: \_\_\_\_\_

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ANGELA RICHARDSON-WOODS  
Chairman

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DAVID KELLY  
Secretary

MCDC MINUTES  
MARCH 3, 2022

ADDENDUM  
Written comments submitted by email

----- Original message -----

From: Jon Dell'Antonia <[jd8609@gmail.com](mailto:jd8609@gmail.com)>

Date: 2/20/22 4:33 PM (GMT-06:00)

To: Cindy Schneible <[cschneible@mckinneycdc.org](mailto:cschneible@mckinneycdc.org)>

Subject: Opposition to Grant for ManeGait

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TO: Cindy Schneible and CDC Board of Directors

This email is to express my opposition to granting \$500,000 or any other amount to ManeGait. They are not deserving of any funds from any city of McKinney organization.

When the City of McKinney requested assistance from ManeGait to support a northern route for the TxDot 380 proposed bypass project, ManeGait refused to even entertain an offer to support the City's preferred route. They also refused to discuss the northern route with citizens of Tucker Hill and Stonebridge Ranch. Their disdain for what is good for the city of McKinney makes them a poor choice for any monetary grant from the city. Mayor Fuller can substantiate these statements.

Further, ManeGait is not even in the City limits of McKinney and should not be supported by city Tax dollars.

I respectfully request you reject this request for a Grant to ManeGait as it does not directly benefit McKinney taxpaying citizens and has gone to great lengths to undermine the city of McKinney's preferred Northern route of the TxDot proposed 380 bypass project. These funds could be used to better benefit other organizations within the City of McKinney.

Respectfully submitted,

Jon Dell'Antonia

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----- Original message -----

From: Amy Limas <[amyjlimas@gmail.com](mailto:amyjlimas@gmail.com)>

Date: 2/20/22 2:46 PM (GMT-06:00)

To: Cindy Schneible <[cschneible@mckinneycdc.org](mailto:cschneible@mckinneycdc.org)> Subject:

Grant opposition

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing as an involved citizen of Mckinney formally objecting to the grant request from MainGait. Bill Darling has been a considerable thorn in the side of Mckinney residents and city leaders with his plight to fight the 380 bypass route. City and county officials have propositioned Mr. Darling to relocate the ManeGait facilities with a generous offer of a land swap and \$1/year leaseback in order to facilitate the most cost-effective and beneficial bypass route TxDOT proposed for our city and its residents. Mr. Darling dismissed all offers and continued to use paid advertising through social media to gain support for opposing the bypass. I do not want any tax dollars supporting an organization that has demonstrated their self interests above those of the city and its residents.

Furthermore, ManeGait is not inside the boundaries of the city of McKinney. As a tax paying citizen, I request that only organizations and businesses within the city that benefit McKinney residents be supported with grant dollars.

In closing, I respectfully request that the grant application from ManeGait be denied as this organization does not benefit McKinney citizens and has gone to great lengths to hurt our city and cost our taxpayers millions of dollars by being uncooperative and using their funds irresponsibly to fund advertising to support a bypass route that will destroy many more homes and businesses within our city.

Regards,

Amy Limas

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**From:** David Counts <[oct\\_exit@yahoo.com](mailto:oct_exit@yahoo.com)>

**Sent:** Sunday, February 20, 2022 8:56 PM

**To:** Cindy Schneible <[cschneible@mckinneycdc.org](mailto:cschneible@mckinneycdc.org)>

**Subject:** Opposition to grant request by MainGate

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Respectfully submitted,

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