

COMMUNITY GRANTS ADVISORY COMMISSION

MAY 14, 2020

The Community Grants Advisory Commission of the City of McKinney, Texas met in regular session in the Dulaney Room, Roy & Helen Memorial Library, 101 E Hunt St., McKinney, TX. 75069 on May 14, 2020, at 6:30 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Chairman Randy Hubbard, Vice Chairman Donna Loughmiller, Commissioners Lent Keeler, Jennifer Mott, William Wehunt, Jeff Dargatz, and Todd Burton

Absent: Adriana Pedraza

Staff Present: Shirletta Best, Community Services Administrator; Lupe Armijo, Administrative Assistant.

Chairman Hubbard called the meeting to order at 6:46 p.m. after noting the presence of a quorum. Administrator Best stated that presenters will be called in turn and have five minutes to present. Following each presentation, commissioners will have up to five minutes to ask questions.

20-0369 Conduct a Public Hearing to Consider McKinney Consolidated Grant Funding Requests for FY 2020-2021. Chairman Hubbard opened the Public Hearing at 6:51 p.m. Agencies who were able to attend provided a verbal summary of their application submittal for funding. Under COVID-19 circumstances, agencies were provided the option to attend or provide their presentation offsite. As a courtesy, agencies were not required to attend.

Wellness Center for Older Adults, represented by Executive Director Joy Hinklelman, requested two grants of: \$25,500 and \$15,500 to support their mental health counseling program and the Gatekeeper Program, respectively for senior citizens in McKinney. The Gatekeeper Program provides individualized case management services including issues such as financial crises, elder abuse, potential homelessness, and costs of medications. Meals on Wheels, represented by Michelle Borckardt, is seeking a grant of \$50,000 to support the Meals for Homebound Seniors program for McKinney eligible residents. They also requested \$12,000

in funding for the Senior Safety Net program; this program provides services such as medical and financial assistance, utility assistance, hygiene products, and medical devices and equipment.

Prelude Clubhouse, represented by Chelsea Robinson and Mary Robinson, requested a grant of \$ 7,919 to support their mental illness program for McKinney residents. This will provide assistance for a portion of gas, rent, supplies, and food to assist with the program providing workforce support and employment to McKinney residents with mental illness by providing the training and support needed for self-sufficiency. The Turning Point, represented by Wendy Hanna, requested \$18,785 for counseling services support to benefit McKinney victims of rape and abuse.

The agency, Rosa Es Rojo, represented by Aidee Granades, is seeking a grant of \$14,800 to support their Community Wellness Center / Cancer Center for eligible McKinney Latinas/Latinos residents to receive services. The Salvation Army, represented by Major David Feeser, requested \$30,000 to fund an emergency assistance program for McKinney residents to assist with rent, mortgage payments, and utilities. The agency also requested \$38,658 in funding for the Food Pantry. The Samaritan Inn, represented by Rick Crocker, is seeking a grant of \$31,431 to help fund partial salaries of two case workers and part time partial salary of a child-care worker to assist homeless families at the shelter. Shiloh Place, represented by Dr. Eppie Thern, is seeking a grant of \$20,000 to assist offset paying rent, utilities, child care, and tuition for the Shiloh Place Housing single mom program. Texas Muslim Women's Foundation, was not present due to social distancing, but Syeda Ali called in to request \$15,000 for their program, which includes case management services for McKinney women residents under their family violence/domestic shelter, including but not limited to Muslim women. Funding will support the cost of housing, counselors, and admin staff

salary. Trusted World, represented by Michael Hendricks, requested \$10,000 to help 550 people in McKinney with food, clothing, and toiletries.

City staff member, Shirletta Best presented the summary of funding resources for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) in the amount of \$850,709 and the Community Services Grant in the amount of \$ 159,700. The CDBG program includes public services funding that is determined by the CGAC with a 15% cap of \$ 127,606 and city administered programs, including the Housing Rehabilitation Program and Grant Administration. The City received CARES Act funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development of \$500,444 and pending funding from the Collin County Government through the U.S. Treasury for housing assistance with the larger cities of Plano, Frisco and Allen to benefit all Collin County Residents. Ms. Best confirmed that the CGAC would not be involved in the funding recommendations or application process of the Collin County grant. She stated that HUD is providing waivers to use the CDBG Cares funding for public services, however, it requires amendments to the City's Consolidated Plan and the City is preparing the administrative process to receive the funds. The CGAC may be involved in the funding public service process if the waiver is granted to use funds beyond the 15% cap. Ms. Best also stated the FY 2020-21 funding is under the new Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development and the funding will begin October 1, 2020. The plan is updated every five years and the City will present the draft with the Commission members in July. All funding recommendations and the Consolidated plan will be presented to Council for consideration and final approval in August.

RANDY HUBBARD
Chairman