



Housing/Community Development/Social Services Committee - Board of Representatives

Elaine Mitchell, Chair

Lila Wallace, Vice Chair

Committee Report

Date: Tuesday, March 22, 2016
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Place: Republican Caucus Room, 4th Floor, Government Center, 888
Washington Boulevard

The Housing/Community Development/Social Services Committee met at the above time and place. Present were Chair Mitchell, Vice Chair Wallace and Committee Members Reps. Giordano, Mahoney, McNeil, and Moore. Excused were committee member Watkins. Also present were Erik Larson, Community Development.

Chair Mitchell called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. and opened the public hearing.

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
¹ 1. HCD29.42	PUBLIC HEARING; Second Public Hearing on the year 42 CDBG Proposals (2016-17). 03/08/15 – Submitted by Rep. Mitchell	Report Made

The following people spoke from the public:

Mr. Mike Papa stated he would like more funding to go to the kids in Stamford and to make sure the people of Stamford see that the City is concerned and doing something constructive. Chair Mitchell clarified the CDBG process to Mr. Papa in greater detail regarding where this funding has to be allocated.

Amy Taylor, Franklin Street Health Center, wanted to thank the Committee for allocating \$5,000 and stated that all of their funding goes directly to patient care.

Chair Mitchell closed the public hearing at 6:49 p.m.

² 2. HCD29.43	REVIEW; Creating One Source where all Affordable Housing Funds are located and from which they are Disbursed. 03/08/16 – Submitted by Rep. Mitchell	Report Made
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Chair Mitchell stated, although invited no one from administration was in attendance to this meeting. Chair Mitchell explained the City receives funding from several sources such as Stamford Development Housing Fund, Commercial Linkage Housing Fund and Inclusionary Housing Trust Fund. She said they need more clarity on how the money is

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being allocated.

Eric Larson explained that the authority for the allocation of funding from the Inclusionary Housing Trust Fund rests with the Zoning Board.

Rep Moore would like to know how the Zoning Board chooses who to allocate the funds. Mr. Larson suggested she speaks to Norman Cole, Land Use Chief Bureau Director.

After a brief discussion the committee decided to have Rep Mahoney and Eric Larson work on a matrix for review with the committee to include the following:

- Cohesive master list of all housing funds and how much money has been allocated to each fund
- Number of units that have been developed from these funds
- The occupancy level in each unit (different income levels)
- How the Zoning Board choose to allocate funds

The committee would like to meet with department heads, Boards and organizations responsible for allocating funds to determine if amendments to ordinances concerning housing funds are needed.

The Committee would like this item to be an ongoing discussion and keep it on the agenda.

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Submitted by

Elaine Mitchell, Chair

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