



# Bear River Association of Governments

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Approved on 12.17.25  
Motion: Mayor Jacobsen  
Second: Mayor Holmgren  
Motion passed unanimously

**FIRST CDBG PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES**  
**BRAG FIRST CDBG PUBLIC HEARING**  
**HEARING HELD Tuesday, November 25, 2025 – 4:30 PM**  
**BRAG Cache County Office- Conference Room - 170 North Main Street in Logan**

**Also, Remote Option Via Zoom**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85403601457?pwd=23tQJuLKOMC3RFZyhuKSumu69FLP6K.1>

## MINUTES

### **4:30 Welcome and Open CDBG First Public Hearing**

Mayor Mike Leonhardt, BRAG Governing Board Vice Chair  
Stephanie Gittins, CDBG/CIB Specialist

The Bear River Association of Governments (BRAG) first CDBG public hearing was held on Tuesday, November 25, 2025, in the BRAG Cache County Office, 170 North Main Street in Logan, meeting commenced at 4:30 PM.

Present: (Mayor/Commissioner and Council names) Mayor Mike Leonhardt, Mayor Larry Jacobsen,  
(Other public or elected officials or employees) Stephanie Gittins (BRAG), Brandon Bell (BRAG),  
(Public in attendance, including those attending for the CDBG Public Hearing) None

## **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PUBLIC HEARING:**

Mayor Mike Leonhardt opened the public hearing for the CDBG program and stated that the purpose of the public hearing is to provide citizens with pertinent information about the Community Development Block Grant program and to allow for discussion of possible applications for the 2026 funding cycle. It was explained that the grant money must be spent on projects benefiting primarily low and moderate-income persons. The Bear River Association of Governments is expecting to receive approximately \$800,000 in this new program year. All eligible activities that can be accomplished under this program are identified in the CDBG Application Policies and Procedures Manual and interested persons can review it at any time. Mayor Mike Leonhardt asked Stephanie Gittins, BRAG CDBG/CIB Specialist, to read several of the eligible activities listed including examples, such as Construction of public works and facilities, e.g., water and sewer lines, fire stations, acquisition of real property, provision of public services such as food banks or homeless shelters. Stephanie Gittins indicated that in the past the Bear River Association of Governments has received annual grants for administration of the CDBG program and for single family housing programs, including rehabilitation and home-buyer assistance. In the past, the Bear River Association of Governments has also received a grant as the sponsor for the purchase of vehicles by Suzy's Senior Companionship Services. The Bear River Association of Governments has handed out its capital investment plan as part of the regional

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“Consolidated Plan”. This list shows which projects the Bear River Association of Governments has identified as being needed in the community. It was asked that anyone with questions, comments or suggestions during the hearing please identify themselves by name, before they speak. The clerk will include your names in the minutes and we would like to specifically respond to your questions and suggestions during the hearing. Mayor Mike Leonhardt then opened the meeting up to further suggestions from the audience. Mayor Larry Jacobsen said that he was a remote participant and that he could see and hear everything being stated. Mayor Mike Leonhardt acknowledged Mayor Larry Jacobsen’s comment. Mayor Mike Leonhardt then asked if there were any other suggestions and noted there were no members of the public present for comment either in person or online. The hearing was adjourned at 4:35 PM.

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