

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)
FIRST PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that **Town of Bluff** will hold a public hearing on **January 13, 2026** at **Bluff Community Center, 190 North 300 East Bluff Utah, 84512 at 3:30pm**. Town of Bluff is eligible to apply to the Utah Department of Workforce Services for funding under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Small Cities Program, a federally funded program administered by the State of Utah, Housing and Community Development Division (HCD). **Town of Bluff** is eligible to apply for CDBG funding provided Town of Bluff meets the applicable program requirements.

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. This public hearing will cover eligible activities, program requirements, and expected funding allocations in the region. The CDBG Program can fund a broad range of activities, including, but not limited to: construction of public works and facilities, e.g., water and sewer lines, fire stations, acquisition of real property, and provision of public services such as food banks or homeless shelters. In the event that Town of Bluff chooses to apply for CDBG funding, a second public hearing will be held at a later time to discuss the project. Further information can be obtained by contacting **Malia Collins at 435-269-0023**.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations (including auxiliary communicative aids and services) during this hearing should notify Malia Collins at Town of Bluff Offices 190 North 300 East Bluff, Utah 84512 at least three days prior to the hearing. Individuals with speech and/or hearing impairments may call the Relay Utah by dialing 711. Spanish Relay Utah: 1.888.346.3162.

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FIRST CDBG PUBLIC HEARING APPROVED MINUTES
Town of Bluff FIRST CDBG PUBLIC HEARING
HEARING HELD (Bluff Community Center, Tuesday, January 13, 2026 at 3:30pm)

The Town of Bluff's first CDBG public hearing was held on Tuesday, January 13, in the Bluff Community Center, meeting commenced at 3:31pm.

Present: Mayor Josh Ewing, Britt Hornsby, Jennifer Davila, Spencer Wade and Gary Haws,
Erin Nelson, Town Manager & Malia Collins, Administrative Director,
Public in attendance: Michael Haviken, Jackie Warren.

Town Recorder: Erin Nelson
Town Clerk: Erin Nelson
Town Attorney: not present

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor **Josh Ewing** 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 **Southeastern Regional Development Agency (SERDA)**, in which **Town of Bluff** is a member, is expecting to receive **approximately \$778,284 with \$504,284 available for applicants** 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 **Josh Ewing** 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. Mayor **Josh Ewing** indicated that in the past **Town of Bluff** has received **One (1) CDBG Grant in 2022 in the amount of \$128,383, which was returned. Non-CDBG Grants received: Ten (10). Five (5) of which applied to the Cooperative Cultural Center and five (5) for Bluff Town upgrades, including Cemetery, Community Center retrofits and playground.** The town has handed out its capital improvement plan as part of the regional "Consolidated Plan". This list shows which projects the town 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.

Mr. Michael Haviken asked if Old Highway Improvement Project, Navajo Twin Drive, 7th Street East, Black Locust to 7th St East, Jones and DeMille has quoted \$1.1 Million to accommodate vehicles, pedestrians and bicycles would be considered for the funds. Mayor Josh Ewing responded to suggestion by stating 'thank you for the suggestion'.

Mayor/Commissioner **Josh Ewing** then asked if there were any other suggestions.

The hearing was adjourned at **3:37pm**.