

FIRST CDBG PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
Torrey, Utah CDBG PUBLIC HEARING
HEARING HELD December 3, 2021 @ Torrey Pavilion

The Torrey Town first CDBG public hearing was held on December 3, 2021 at 5:00 PM, in the Torrey Town Pavilion, Torrey, Utah and via Zoom.
meeting commenced at 5:03 PM.

Present: Mayor pro-tempore Pat Kearney, Council Members Doug Robinson, Pearl Thorndal-Stewart and Jordan Pace,

Mickey Wright, Chairman Planning and Zoning

Members of the public: Linda Ward, Bob Warden, Linda Townsend, Brian Swanson, Linda Dewey

City Recorder: N/A ,
City Clerk: N/A ,
City Attorney: N/A ,

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor pro-tempore Pat Kearney 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 2022 funding cycle. It was explained that the grant money must be spent on projects benefiting primarily low and moderate-income persons. The Six County Region, in which Torrey is a member, is expecting to receive approximately \$850,000 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 pro tempore Pat Kearney 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 pro tempore Pat Kearney indicated that in the past Torrey has received one grant for fencing the cemetery. The city has handed out its capital investment plan as part of the regional “Consolidated Plan”. This list shows which projects the city 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. Bob Warden asked if there might be assistance with housing for low-income employees. Mayor pro tempore Pat Kearney responded that it may be within the scope of CDBG projects. Mr. Brian Swanson reiterated the critical need for housing for economic development. Mayor pro tempore Pat Kearney then opened the meeting up to further suggestions from the audience.

Pearl Thorndal-Stewart suggested improvements to the town park playground and equipment to facilitate handicap access and to improve the aging and dysfunctional playground equipment. Linda Townsend suggested roads be improved for safety and health concerns. Mayor pro tempore Pat Kearney responded that these are all valid concerns and would improve the quality of life in Torrey. Mayor pro tempore Pat Kearney asked if there were any other suggestions. There were no other suggestions.

The hearing was adjourned at 5:30 PM.