

**FIRST CDBG PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
TOWN OF GARDEN CITY FIRST CDBG PUBLIC HEARING
HEARING HELD 69 N PARADISE PARKWAY, BLDG C, GARDEN CITY UT,
JANUARY 12, 2023, AT 6:31 PM.**

The Town of Garden City first CDBG public hearing was held on Thursday, January 12, 2023, in Building C, 69 N Paradise Parkway, meeting commenced at 6:31 pm.

Mayor Leonhardt called for a roll call of the Council Members Present:

Mayor Leonhardt
Council Member Argyle
Council Member Menlove
Council Member Hansen
Council Member Parry

Present: (Other public or elected officials or employees) Planning Commission
Member Wes Thompson,
(Public in attendance, including those attending for the CDBG Public Hearing)
Aaron Grennon, Dan Stewart, Barb Turnbow, Bess Huefner, and Quinn Dance

City Recorder: Cathie Rasmussen,
City Clerk: Cathie Rasmussen,
City Attorney: Not in attendance,

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor 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 2023 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 Government in which Garden City is a member, is expecting to receive approximately \$700,000 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 Leonhardt 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 Leonhardt indicated that in the past Garden City has received funds that assisted with building the Garden City Library. 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.

Planning Commission Member Wes Thompson stated he thinks this is a great opportunity for the community. Mayor Leonhardt responded that yes, they are excited to apply for it. Council Member Hansen asked what the towns oversight responsibilities are. Mayor Leonhardt responded that BRAG will oversee it. Recipients are allowed a certain amount of time to spend awarded money and requirements to receive the grant to do not expire.

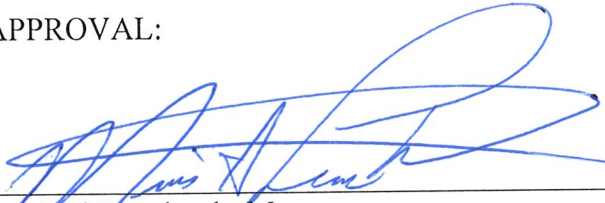
Ms. Barb Turnbow asked how the grant came about and if the town is in competition for the money. Mayor Leonhardt responded by clarifying the region that BRAG is over and stating that the association has already received the funds. Applicants are reviewed by BRAG, then it goes to the executive board for a final decision. Ms. Turnbow asked if the town can apply for the money for a Senior Citizens center or other project. The mayor responded that yes, that can be done. Ms. Turnbow inquired if this is an annual grant. Council Member Hansen and Mayor Leonhardt both said that yes, but each year has a different opportunity. Mayor Leonhardt added that the Fire Department can apply for this grant, but reminded Ms. Turnbow, who is on the Fire Department Board, that there is a competition to get the money. Ms. Turnbow asked who she could contact for more information. Mayor Leonhardt told her to contact Brian Carver at the BRAG office.

Mayor Leonhardt then opened the meeting up to further suggestions from the audience. There were none.

Council Member Menlove made the motion close the First Public Hearing for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and return to the regular Garden City Town Council Meeting. Council Member Argyle seconded the motion. A vote was taken: Council Member Argyle, for; Council Member Hansen, for; Council Member Menlove, for; Council Member Parry, for; Mayor Leonhardt, for. Motion Carried.


The hearing was adjourned at 6:44 pm.

APPROVAL:



Michael Leonhardt, Mayor

Attest:



Cathie Rasmussen, Town Clerk

