



City of Mountain View

Minutes

Human Relations Commission

Thursday, March 4, 2021

6:30 PM Video Conference with No Physical Meeting Location

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Sylvester called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Commissioner Ball left the meeting at 10:00 p.m.

Present 7 - Commissioner Kevin Ball, Commissioner Annette Lin, Commissioner Nirvana Nwokidu, Commissioner Julie Solomon, Commissioner Xavier Webb, Vice Chair Fernando Romero, and Chair IdaRose Sylvester

3. MINUTES APPROVAL

3.1 Minutes approval for February 4, 2021

M/S - Solomon/Romero - Minutes for the February 4, 2021, regular meeting were approved with no corrections.

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Ball, Commissioner Lin, Commissioner Nwokidu, Commissioner Solomon, Commissioner Webb, Vice Chair Romero, and Chair Sylvester

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Recommendations for Fiscal Year 2021-22 Annual Action Plan

Senior Planner Orlando Reyes-Rodas gave a presentation on the guidelines for use of the CDBG and General Fund Public Services funds, summarized the applications, and provided direction for public hearing protocols.

CDBG/General Fund Public Service applicants commented on their proposals.

Motion: M/S – Romero/Webb – Accept staff's recommendation for the allocation of CDBG and Home Investment Partnership Program funding for Fiscal Year 2021-22 and Fiscal Year 2022-23 with the following modifications:

Increase the amount for the Bill Wilson Center by \$1,000 resulting in a total grant of

\$70,000;

Increase the amount for CSA by \$2,400 resulting in a total grant of \$78,400; and Reduce Catholic Charities by \$3,400 resulting in a total grant of \$15,600.

The HRC recommends that the City Council find a way to support Life Moves and the Day Workers Center for Fiscal Year 2021-22 and Fiscal Year 2022-23.

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Nwokidu, Commissioner Solomon, Commissioner Webb, Vice Chair Romero, and Chair Sylvester

No: 1 - Commissioner Lin

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Ball

Motion: M/S – Solomon/Sylvester – Accept staff’s recommendation to allocate \$171,000 of General Funds for Fiscal Year 2021-22 for public service funds to the United Way of the Bay Area, Parents Helping Parents, and Child Advocates of Silicon Valley (CASA). Apply a 10% reduction in all other staff recommended amounts resulting in funding amounts as follows:

Community Services Agency (CSA) \$31,500;

The Health Trust \$27,432;

Ravenswood Family Health Network \$22,500;

Healthier Kids Foundation \$11,245.50;

Day Worker Center \$18,000; and

Community Legal Services in East Palo Alto \$18,000.

Apply the balance of \$14,300 to be split evenly between the YWCA for \$7,150 and the Community School of Music and Arts for \$7,150.

City staff will follow up with the YWCA and the Community School of Music and Arts to confirm whether they will accept the reduced grant amount and their revised activity goal as a result of the reduced funding. If one or both-agencies rejects the funding allocation, then the HRC recommends that the \$7,150 or \$14,300 be redistributed to the agencies whose funding was reduced by 10%. The HRC recommends that the City Council find a way to support the full funding of the partially funded YWCA and the Community School of Music and Arts proposals.

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Lin, Commissioner Nwokidu, Commissioner Solomon, Commissioner Webb, Vice Chair Romero, and Chair Sylvester

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Ball

Motion: M/S – Nwokidu/Sylvester – Accept staff’s recommendation to allocate approximately \$3.7 million of available Community Development Block Grant and Home Investment Partnership Program funds for capital projects, including the potential rehabilitation of the Crestview Hotel, a project that would meet various housing needs.

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Lin, Commissioner Nwokidu, Commissioner Solomon, Commissioner Webb, Vice Chair Romero, and Chair Sylvester

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Ball

7. COMMISSION/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, REQUESTS, AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Assistant City Manager Ramberg announced that the Human Relations Commission will have the opportunity to provide input on the Mountain View Strategic Roadmap and potential projects for Fiscal Years 2021/22 and 2022/23 at it's April meeting.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Sylvester adjourned the meeting at 1:09 a.m.