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COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MAY 14, 2007 - 7:00 P.M.

CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS – 1ST FLOOR 100 N. ANDREWS AVENUE

Board Members	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>	Cumu <u>From</u> (P)	
Marie Conroy		А	0	7
Marjorie Davis		А	0	7
Diane Schuster	Р		7	0
William Goetz	Р		7	0
Michael Kimmey	Р		6	1
Avery Dial	Р		4	3
Margaret Birch	Р		6	1
Fenel Antoine	Р		5	2
Emmett Kater	Р		5	2
Adriane Reesey	Р		4	1
Sanford Rosenthal	Р		5	0
Jan Beasley	Р		2	1
Jennie Brooks		А	0	1

Staff Present:

Laura Maldonado, Administrative Support for Housing and the Advisory Board Susan Batchelder, Assistant Manager, Housing & Community Development Margarette Hayes, Manager, Housing & Community Development

Margaret A. Muhl, Recording Secretary

Call to Order

Chair William Goetz called the meeting to order at approximately 7:05 p.m. and all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

Avery Dial entered the meeting at approximately 7:06 p.m.

Board and Staff Introductions

Margarette Hayes proceeded to introduce staff that was present this evening.

New Board Member Updates

Margarette Hayes stated that Jennie Brooks had been reappointed to this Board, but would be delayed this evening and arrive as soon as possible.

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Approval of Minutes

Adriane Reesey asked if Mr. Rosenthal was going to recuse himself regarding the Lighthouse of the Blind since he was a patron of the facility, and if so, would there still be a quorum for the Board to continue on that matter.

Margarette Hayes stated that there would still be a quorum.

There being no additions or objections, the minutes of the April 9, 2007 meeting stood approved as read.

CDBG 2007/2008Application Ranking and Award of Fundings

Margarette Hayes stated that they had \$302,099.40 to award to the various agencies.

Chair William Goetz asked if Ms. Hayes received all the rankings from the Board Members. Ms. Hayes stated that several people are doing their rankings this evening.

Margarette Hayes further stated that Susan Batchelder would provide the actual percentages for the applicants regarding prior spending habits.

Susan Batchelder provided the following information:

<u>Atlantic Institute of Oriental Medicine – They spent 100% of their funds during the previous year.</u>

Ms. Hayes stated that even though they met 100% of their spending, up to 20 points could be awarded to them or not depending on individual preference.

Ms. Reesey asked if this organization had reported their success rate. Ms. Hayes stated that documentation had been received from Covenant House and the City's Police Department, but nothing from the above-mentioned organization.

<u>Broward Homeward Bound –</u> Excellent performance with spending 100% of their funds. Currently, they are half-way through their funding and the funding was based on the previous year.

<u>Coalition To End Homelessness –</u> Excellent performance and they spent their entire year's allocation already.

<u>ComServ, Inc.</u> – They do not have a project at this time, and therefore, they had nothing to base their ranking on and it would be only up to five points.

<u>Covenant House</u> – They have already spent half of their expenditures for this year. Excellent performance.

<u>Crossroads Food Bank – There was no history, and therefore, only could be awarded up to five points.</u>

<u>Fighting Chance – There was no history and they could only be awarded up to five points.</u>

COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD May 14, 2007 PAGE 3 <u>First Call for Help –</u> They have excellent history and have spent 100% of their funds. Up to twenty points could be awarded to this group.

<u>Future Stars Use Sports Association – They have poor performance and have not met</u> their spend-down goals and were not in compliance and are missing a financial statement.

<u>The Girl Scouts – They have between good and acceptable performance.</u>

<u>Grace Community Development Center – They have no history.</u>

<u>Jack 'n Jill Infant Room – There is no history.</u>

Jack 'n Jill Scholarship Program – There is no history.

Lighthouse for the Blind – There is no history.

<u>Mt. Bethel Human Services – This is a new program, and therefore, there is no history, but they have excellent performance in connection with their other programs, and had spent 100% of their funds.</u>

<u>Mt. Olive Development – They spent down 100% of their funds from last year, but have yet to spend any funds this year.</u>

Ms. Hayes reminded the Board that it could be that this group has not yet requested reimbursement.

<u>Russell Life Skills – They spent 100% of their funds and have an excellent performance.</u>

<u>Starting Over – They have good performance.</u>

<u>Women in Distress</u> – They have excellent performance. Every year they spent their money in a timely manner.

<u>Parks & Recreation Department – Parks Program -</u> This is a new program, and therefore, there is no history.

<u>Urban Aquatic Enrichment Program -</u> Excellent performance and they spend their money in a timely manner.

<u>Graffiti Clean-Up – They have good performance.</u>

<u>New Visions – There is no history.</u>

Sanford Rosenthal stated that he attended this organization's banquet, and asked if he should recuse himself from voting on this issue.

Ms. Hayes stated that he would not have to recuse himself from voting on this organization.

COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD May 14, 2007 PAGE 4 Mr. Rosenthal stated that he also spoke with Dr.

Mr. Rosenthal stated that he also spoke with Dr. Osgood at Mt. Olive. He further advised that he applied for a grant from New Visions for housing. Chair William Goetz advised that in regard to New Visions, Mr. Rosenthal would have to recuse himself.

Fenel Antoine asked for further clarification regarding past histories for agencies, and the ranking system to be used in granting the awards.

Ms. Reesey stated that the spending experience seemed punitive for first-time programs.

Chair William Goetz explained that the point system provided was to serve as a guideline in awarding the monies, and they did not want to penalize individuals who were first applying for these grants.

Ms. Hayes explained that everyone had their own opinions and looked for something in the agencies that made them worthwhile to grant monies to. Decisions are to be made based on the strength of the application.

Mr. Kimmey stated that if an agency had a past spending history, then that was an asset because they proved their position and could receive the 20 points. Now, if there was no spending history, points could still be granted based on the services provided to the community.

Margaret Birch stated that next year they need to state exactly how to handle the spending experience and that information should be part of the minutes. She always felt that a new applicant was penalized if they did not have a spending history.

Chair William Goetz stated that such issues should be discussed further for next year.

Emmett Kater entered the meeting at approximately 7:27 p.m.

Ms. Hayes stated that each Board Member would be asked to submit their rankings, and then staff would add the numbers and provide the rankings for the agencies. She reminded the Board Members to sign and date their forms.

Ms. Reesey stated that in making determinations and going through the ranking system, she found there were issues of questionable on-going funding, no plans for contingencies in some cases, and concerns regarding overhead. The scores were representative basically of poorly written measurable goals and objectives. If there are no quantifiable or quality outcomes that would be available incrementally from the funding, then no funds should be issued. Just because monies were spent did not mean a good job had been done, and therefore, spending money should not be a qualifier per se.

Ms. Hayes advised that spending was important. Ms. Reesey continued stating that if there were reverted funds, then that was looked at as a negative.

The rankings for each agency were as follows:

COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD May 14, 2007 PAGE 5 <u>Atlantic Institute:</u>

Adriane Reesey	70 points
Margaret Birch	65 points
Avery Dial	100 points
Michael Kimmey	74 points
Sanford Rosenthal	50 points
Jan Beasley	45 points
Diane Schuster	30 points
Emmett Kater	30 points
Fenel Antoine	70 points
William Goetz	15 points

Broward Homeward Bound

Adriane Reesey	30 points -	less than 20% were Ft. Lauderdale residents.
Margaret Birch	130 points	
Avery Dial	130 points	
Michael Kimmey	104 points	
Sanford Rosenthal	75 points	
Jan Beasley	80 points	
Diane Schuster	80 points	
Emmett Kater	30 points	
Fenel Antoine	105 points	
William Goetz	115 points	

Coalition to End Homelessness

Adriane Reesey Margaret Birch Avery Dial Michael Kimmey Sanford Rosenthal Jan Beasley Diane Schuster Emmett Kater Fenel Antoine William Goetz	30 points - they have no outcome measures. 115 points 115 points 48 points 75 points 90 points 110 points 30 points 48 points 115 points 115 points 115 points
Adriane Reesey	0 points
Margaret Birch	75 points
Avery Dial	120 points
Michael Kimmey	34 points
Sanford Rosenthal	50 points
Jan Beasley	70 points
Diane Schuster	30 points
Emmett Kater	30 points
Fenel Antoine	80 points
William Goetz	50 points

COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD May 14, 2007 PAGE 6 <u>Covenant House</u>

Adriane Reesey	80 points
Margaret Birch	130 points
Avery Dial	130 points
Michael Kimmey	105 points
Sanford Rosenthal	75 points
Jan Beasley	100 points
Diane Schuster	125 points
Emmett Kater	30 points
Fenel Antoine	106 points
William Goetz	100 points

Crossroads Food Bank

Adriane Reesey	70 points
Margaret Birch	115 points
Avery Dial	120 points
Michael Kimmey	96 points
Sanford Rosenthal	75 points
Jan Beasley	110 points
Diane Schuster	125 points
Emmett Kater	30 points
Fenel Antoine	80 points
William Goetz	115 points

Fighting Chance

Adriane Reesey	0 points
Margaret Birch	75 points
Avery Dial	90 points
Michael Kimmey	47 points
Sanford Rosenthal	50 points
Jan Beasley	30 points
Diane Schuster	40 points
Emmett Kater	30 points
Fenel Antoine	110 points
William Goetz	0 points

First Call For Help

Adriane Reesey	70 points
Margaret Birch	129 points
Avery Dial	125 points
Michael Kimmey	96 points
Sanford Rosenthal	65 points
Jan Beasley	80 points
Diane Schuster	120 points
Emmett Kater	30 points
Fenel Antoine	75 points
William Goetz	120 points

COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD May 14, 2007 PAGE 7 Future Stars Youth Sports Association

Adriane Reesey	0 points
Margaret Birch	0 points
Avery Dial	80 points
Michael Kimmey	58 points
Sanford Rosenthal	50 points
Jan Beasley	0 points
Diane Schuster	20 points
Emmett Kater	30 points
Fenel Antoine	90 points
William Goetz	0 points

Girl Scouts of America

50 points
118 points
105 mainta
125 points
75 points
65 points
50 points
130 points
30 points
80 points
90 points

Grace Community Development Center

Adriane Reesey	0 points – The monies were to be used for 100% of the program costs
Margaret Birch	65 points
Avery Dial	115 points
Michael Kimmey	71 points
Sanford Rosenthal	55 points
Jan Beasley	40 points
Diane Schuster	35 points
Emmett Kater	30 points
Fenel Antoine	105 points
William Goetz	20 points

Jack 'n Jill Center – Infant Toddler

Adriane Reesey	80 points
Margaret Birch	93 points
Avery Dial	105 points
Michael Kimmey	109 points
Sanford Rosenthal	65 points
Jan Beasley	120 points
Diane Schuster	60 points
Emmett Kater	100 points

COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD May 14, 2007 PAGE 8 Fenel Antoine 120 points William Goetz 105 points

Jack 'n Jill Scholarship Program

80 points
120 points
105 points
76 points
65 points
110 points
110 points
100 points
120 points
90 points

Lighthouse for the Blind

Adriane Reesey	70 points
Margaret Birch	115 points
Avery Dial	115 points
Michael Kimmey	82 points
Sanford Rosenthal	(Conflict of interest – did not rank)
Jan Beasley	120 points
Diane Schuster	130 points
Emmett Kater	30 points
Fenel Antoine	105 points
William Goetz	125 points

Mt. Bethel Human Services Corporation

Adriane Reesey	70 points
Margaret Birch	95 points
Avery Dial	115 points
Michael Kimmey	77 points
Sanford Rosenthal	60 points
Jan Beasley	65 points
Diane Schuster	80 points
Emmett Kater	80 points
Fenel Antoine	110 points
William Goetz	75 points

Mt. Olive Development Corporation

Adriane Reesey	70 points
Margaret Birch	50 points – letters of support were not submitted
Avery Dial	100 points
Michael Kimmey	59 points
Sanford Rosenthal	65 points
Jan Beasley	80 points
Diane Schuster	80 points

COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD May 14, 2007 PAGE 9 Emmett Kater 80 points Fenel Antoine 130 points William Goetz 75 points

<u>New Visions</u>

Adriane Reesey	0 points
Margaret Birch	125 points
Avery Dial	105 points
Michael Kimmey	52 points
Sanford Rosenthal	(Conflict of interest – did not rank)
Jan Beasley	100 points
Diane Schuster	60 points
Emmett Kater	30 points
Fenel Antoine	66 points
William Goetz	115 points

Russell Life Skills

Adriane Reesey	0 points
Margaret Birch	120 points
Avery Dial	120 points
Michael Kimmey	105 points
Sanford Rosenthal	55 points
Jan Beasley	105 points
Diane Schuster	125 points
Emmett Kater	30 points
Fenel Antoine	86 points
William Goetz	65 points

Starting Over

Adriane Reesey	0 points
Margaret Birch	125 points
Avery Dial	115 points
Michael Kimmey	113 points
Sanford Rosenthal	55 points
Jan Beasley	95 points
Diane Schuster	30 points
Emmett Kater	30 points
Fenel Antoine	19 points
William Goetz	20 points

Women in Distress

Adriane Reesey	80 points
Margaret Birch	125 points
Avery Dial	130 points
Michael Kimmey	117 points
Sanford Rosenthal	60 points
Jan Beasley	130 points

COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD May 14, 2007 PAGE 10 Diane Schuster 130 points Emmett Kater 30 points Fenel Antoine 130 points William Goetz 110 points

Parks & Recreation Department – Parks Program

Adriane Reesey	60 points
Margaret Birch	125 points
Avery Dial	100 points
Michael Kimmey	49 points
Sanford Rosenthal	50 points
Jan Beasley	100 points
Diane Schuster	60 points
Emmett Kater	70 points
Fenel Antoine	100 points
William Goetz	50 points

Urban Aquatic Enrichment

Adriane Reesey	60 points
Margaret Birch	125 points
Avery Dial	115 points
Michael Kimmey	95 points
Sanford Rosenthal	50 points
Jan Beasley	100 points
Diane Schuster	100 points
Emmett Kater	70 points
Fenel Antoine	110 points
William Goetz	30 points

Graffiti Clean-Up

Adriane Reesey	60 points
Margaret Birch	80 points
Avery Dial	80 points
Michael Kimmey	48 points
Sanford Rosenthal	50 points
Jan Beasley	100 points
Diane Schuster	50 points
Emmett Kater	70 points
Fenel Antoine	106 points
William Goetz	40 points

Margarette Hayes announced that the 2007/2008 CDBG funding rankings were as follows:

Atlantic Institute of Oriental Medicine ranked 19th. Broward Homeward Bound ranked 8th with 879 points. Coalition To End Homelessness ranked 14th with 776 points. ComServ, Inc.ranked 20th with 539 points.

COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD May 14, 2007 PAGE 11 Covenant House ranked 2nd with 981 points. Crossroads Food Bank ranked 5th with 936 points. Fighting Chance ranked 22nd with 472 points. First Call for Help ranked 6th with 910 points. Future Stars Use Sports Association ranked 23rd with 328 points. Girl Scouts of America ranked 11th with 813 points. Grace Community Development Center ranked 21st with 536 points. Jack 'n Jill Infant Room ranked 4th with 957 points. Jack 'n Jill Scholarship Program ranked 3rd with 976 points. Lighthouse for the Blind ranked 7th with 892 points. Mt. Bethel Human Services Corporation ranked 10th with 827 points. Mt. Olive Development Corporation ranked 13th with 789 points. New Visions Community Development Corporation ranked 17th with 653 points. Russell Life Skills ranked 12th with 811 points. Starting Over ranked 18th with 602 points. Women in Distress ranked No. 1 with 1,042 points. Parks & Recreation Department – Parks Program ranked 15th with 764 points. Urban Aquatic Enrichment Program ranked 9th with 855 points. Graffiti Clean-Up – Police Dept. – ranked 16th with 684 points.

Margarette Hayes advised the amount of money requested by the top five ranking agencies:

Women In Distress #1 – Requested \$58,517.00. Covenant House #2 – Requested \$42,294.00 Jack 'n Jill Scholarship Program #3 – Requested \$50,700.00 Jack 'n Jill Infant Room #4 – Requested \$50,000.00 Crossroads Food Bank #5 – Requested \$21,900.00

Ms. Reesey asked in regard to the Lighthouse for the Blind if there was a provision point-wise for Mr. Rosenthal's conflict of interest. She wanted to make sure they were not penalized.

Ms. Hayes stated that Mr. Rosenthal's points were not counted. Ms. Reesey reiterated that since Mr. Rosenthal had not voted, the agency was actually penalized. Ms. Hayes reiterated that New Visions also lost points since Mr. Rosenthal had a conflict of interest.

Chair William Goetz stated that Mr. Rosenthal had a conflict of interest and could not vote regarding those agencies.

Ms. Hayes stated that the total funding request from the top five agencies was \$223,411.00, leaving \$75,000.00 to distribute to the remaining programs.

Ms. Birch stated that they needed to take an overall look at the requests made before distributing monies to the top five ranked agencies.

Chair William Goetz stated that previously each agency was discussed separately and then a decision made regarding the amount of funds to be granted. There is no motion on the floor at this time to grant the first five ranked agencies the full amounts they were requesting.

COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD May 14, 2007 PAGE 12 Motion made by Margaret Birch that this Br

Motion made by Margaret Birch that this Board review the overall picture before attempting to distribute funds to the first five ranked agencies.

Chair William Goetz stated that everyone intends to do what was being requested, and he asked Ms. Birch to withdraw her motion.

Mr. Dial suggested that for the two agencies penalized due to Mr. Rosenthal's conflict of interest, they take the average of the points given by the remaining board members to those agencies and grant them those numbers as a ghost score.

Chair William Goetz stated that the Board was being too involved with the point system and reminded everyone that they only served as guidelines.

Mr. Kater stated that there were funds remaining even if the top five agencies received their full requests.

Motion died for lack of a second.

Motion made by Emmett Kater and seconded by Margaret Birch that out of the top five ranked agencies, the Board decide the amount to be awarded to each of those agencies. Board unanimously approved.

Women in Distress was requesting \$58,000. **Motion** made by Emmett Kater and seconded by Avery Dial to grant Women in Distress \$40,000.

Mr. Rosenthal stated that was a sizeable amount and additional monies could be granted later on if there were funds remaining.

Ms. Reesey stated that if the requested monies were already allocated as an expenditure for a salaried position would they have the capability to bring in another funding source to offset the cost.

Ms. Hayes explained that if the requested funds were reduced, then the agency would have to seek another funding source for the difference.

Nine Board members voted in favor of the motion. Therefore, Women in Distress would be awarded \$40,000.

Covenant House was requesting \$42,294.00. **Motion** made by Emmett Kater and seconded by Sanford Rosenthal to grant Covenant House \$25,000.

Ms. Reesey raised the same concern in case this request was tied to a salaried position. She stated that she was very concerned there was a fundamental flaw in the process being followed.

Ms. Hayes explained that it was this Board's decision as to how they wanted to divide and disburse the monies. Ms. Reesey stated that the reductions could change the focus of the application or cause a program to fail. Ms. Hayes explained further that this Board attempted to spread the allowable monies as much as possible. The grant applications were not changed.

COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD May 14, 2007 PAGE 13 Mr. Kator, stated, po, opo, should, bo, popaliz

Mr. Kater stated no one should be penalized and every agency should receive something. Ms. Reesey confirmed, but stated that the agencies who had better grant writers had better applications.

Chair William Goetz reiterated that the purpose of asking questions during the presentations would have remedied that situation to a certain extent. He believed that issue could possibly be addressed later on in the future.

Mr. Kimmey stated they needed to stick closer to the numbers as requested in order for their programs to work. He believed they were now compromising since the pot of money was smaller and the number of applicants were greater. Therefore, he did not feel they should accept the motion that was on the floor and that a higher amount be awarded to this agency.

Chair William Goetz agreed that the agencies should be granted amounts as close as possible to what they were requesting, although this agency was a national group that had additional revenue sources to make up the difference.

Mr. Kimmey further stated that he did not feel they should consider the agency's outside sources when making an award.

The motion failed 3-7.

Motion made by Sanford Rosenthal and seconded by Emmett Kater that Covenant House be awarded \$30,000.

Ms. Reesey asked if these numbers were just being pulled out of a hat, and if that was the case then the process needed to be re-evaluated.

Mr. Rosenthal stated that basically they were taking off about 30% from the request being made. He did not feel that was objectionable and if funds remained at the end, then they could make any reconsiderations that they desired.

Motion failed 4-6.

Motion made by Sanford Rosenthal and seconded by Emmett Kater that Covenant House be awarded \$35,000. Motion passed 6-4.

The Jack 'n Jill Scholarship Program requested \$50,700.00. The agency stated previously that if they had to make a choice, they would prefer the Toddler Program to be funded over the Scholarship Program.

Chair William Goetz stated that only 13 children would be serviced in the Scholarship Program, and the Toddler Program serviced approximately 21 children.

Ms. Reesey asked if any of the programs are being subsidized through Medicare or Medicaid.

Ms. Hayes explained that through the childcare subsidies assistance was provided to Jack 'n Jill and their programs.

COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD May 14, 2007 PAGE 14 Chair William Goetz stated that he would prefer to award monies for the capital

improvements and hope the scholarship program could be funded from other outside sources.

Motion made by Emmett Kater and seconded by Michael Kimmey to grant \$20,000 to the Jack 'n Jill Scholarship Program. Motion failed 5-5.

Motion made by Sanford Rosenthal and seconded by Emmett Kater to grant \$25,000 to the Jack 'n Jill Scholarship Program.

Chair William Goetz stated that his preference would be to vote down this motion and have the board award monies to the toddler program.

Ms. Reesey stated they needed to base their decisions on more concrete facts and not just grab numbers out of the air.

Motion failed 4-6.

Motion made by Adriane Reesey and seconded by Avery Dial to grant \$24,000 to the Jack 'n Jill Scholarship Program. Motion carried 8-2.

Jack 'n Jill Infant Toddler Program requested \$50,000. **Motion** made by Jan Beasley and seconded by Emmett Kater to grant \$50,000 to the Jack 'n Jill Infant Toddler Program. Motion carried 6-4.

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Crossroads Food Bank requested \$21,900.00. **Motion** made by Margaret Birch and seconded by Adriane Reesey to grant \$21,900.00 to Crossroads Food Bank. Motion carried unanimously.

First Call For Help requested \$71,000.00. **Motion** made by Sanford Rosenthal and seconded by Diane Schuster to grant \$60,000.00 to First Call For Help. Motion failed 3-7.

Motion made by Emmett Kater and seconded by Sanford Rosenthal to grant \$40,000 to First Call For Help. Motion failed 3-7.

Motion made by Michael Kimmey and seconded by Diane Schuster to grant \$55,000 to First Call For Help. Motion failed 5-5.

Motion made by Adriane Reesey and seconded by Jan Beasley to grant \$57,000 to First Call For Help. Motion carried 8-2.

Lighthouse For The Blind requested \$10,000. **Motion** made by Margaret Birch and seconded by Jan Beasley to grant \$10,000 to the Lighthouse For The Blind.

Ms. Reesey stated that this agency's performance measures did not match and were non-specific in their proposal, but she would support a \$10,000 award.

COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD May 14, 2007 PAGE 15 Motion carried unanimously. (Mr. Rosenthal abstained from voting due to a conflict of interest.)

Broward Homeward Bound requested \$43,680. **Motion** made by Sanford Rosenthal and seconded by Emmett Kater to grant \$23,000 to Broward Homeward Bound.

Ms. Reesey stated that this was a good program, but they served less than 20% of Fort Lauderdale's residents and that figure should be taken into account when this Board makes their award.

Mr. Rosenthal stated that the representative from Broward Homeward Bound stated that the monies would be used for residents of Fort Lauderdale.

Ms. Hayes confirmed and explained that the monies were restricted for Fort Lauderdale residents only.

Ms. Reesey reiterated that she wanted more information before she could make a decision.

Motion carried 7-3.

Urban Aquatic Enrichment Program requested \$64,800. **Motion** made by Emmett Kater to grant \$41,199 to the Urban Aquatic Enrichment Program. Motion died for lack of a second.

Motion made by Margaret Birch to grant \$15,000 to the Urban Aquatic Enrichment Program. Motion died for lack of a second.

Motion made by Emmett Kater and seconded by Diane Schuster to grant \$30,000 to the Urban Aquatic Enrichment Program.

Ms. Reesey stated that she was curious why City programs were requesting these funds. This City is the "Venice of America" and they are surrounded by water, and therefore, everyone should be able to swim. She wants the City to justify why they could not fund this program.

Ms. Hayes stated that the City's response is that they have a set amount budgeted for the Parks and Recreation Department, and once they went through their budget process there was no funding for this type of program.

Chair William Goetz stated that he asked the representatives making the presentation if they requested funds from their department, and he believed they responded that they had not presented the program to their department. Therefore, he did not believe these funds should go towards City programs.

Ms. Beasley stated that things sometimes get dwindled in the process.

Mr. Kater stated that this program supports underprivileged African-American children who have been winning trophies year after year. It is a very successful program and the money is well-deserving.

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Ms. Birch stated that the director of parks and recreation signed the application for this grant. The City feels the extent of their job was to provide the pool and take care of its maintenance. If these children want to participate, then it is up to parents and other groups to support those children. She agrees this should be a City responsibility and not going through the Block Grant Committee, but this was how things were in this case.

Chair William Goetz stated that he was concerned that by awarding monies to this program they would be setting a precedence and more City departments would come forward requesting these funds.

Mr. Dial stated that when this program was not funded through CDBG monies, there was no program because the City did not pick up the slack.

Mr. Rosenthal stated that other programs involving under privileged children don't always get funds because there are so many applications.

Mr. Kater reiterated that the City does not believe in funding urban programs. They never have and never will.

Ms. Reesey stated that was a sad commentary in the City's political structure and the City Officials need to have their feet held to the fire regarding urban programs.

Mr. Kater reiterated that the officials did not care. Ms. Reesey reminded everyone that they are the people who voted in those officials.

Motion failed 5-5.

Motion made by Jan Beasley and seconded by Margaret Birch to grant \$20,000 to the Urban Aquatic Enrichment Program.

Mr. Rosenthal stated that in light of the fact that there were other programs involving underprivileged children, he believed the monies should be divided between all those programs.

Ms. Beasley stated that \$20,000 was not enough, but if they kept dwindling down the amount, then it would not help the program to function at all.

Mr. Kimmey stated that the ranking more or less took care of which programs should received funds and which should not. Therefore, by virtue of merit the higher ranking programs should receive the funds.

Ms. Reesey reiterated that she was standing by the issue of justification and she knew the program was worthwhile, but she was concerned because it was a City program. She stated that she would vote no for all City programs, and would risk upsetting her brothers in blue because she would not support that program either. She felt it was a shame that urban programs were disregarded.

Motion carried 6-4.

COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD May 14, 2007 PAGE 17 Mt. Bethel, Human, Services, Corporation, red

Mt. Bethel Human Services Corporation requested \$82,028.05. **Motion** made by Emmett Kater and seconded by Michael Kimmey to not grant any funds to the Mt. Bethel Human Services Corporation.

Mr. Rosenthal stated that due to the ranking of this agency that possibly a small amount of money should be awarded to their program.

Ms. Birch explained that there were other community groups providing the same services as this organization.

Motion carried 8-2.

Girl Scouts of America requested \$41,457. **Motion** made by Jan Beasley to grant \$21,199.40 to the Girls Scouts of America. Motion died for lack of a second.

Motion made by Emmett Kater and seconded by Adriane Reesey to not grant any funds to the Girls Scouts of America. Motion carried 7-3.

Russell Life Skills requested \$50,000. **Motion** made by Michael Kimmey and seconded by Jan Beasley to grant \$21,199.40 to Russell Life Skills.

Mr. Kater stated that he did not believe this agency needed the money. Ms. Birch remarked that the program had done a terrific job and did need the funds.

Motion carried 6-4.

Ms. Hayes reviewed the programs and how much money was awarded to each.

Motion made by Michael Kimmey and seconded by Emmett Kater that the awarding of the funds be closed. Motion carried 9-1.

Emmett Kater suggested that the applicants be present next year during the awarding of the funds.

Ms. Hayes explained that these recommendations would be taken to the City Commission probably the second meeting in June.

Other Business

Margarette Hayes stated that the notification for the Better Meetings Academy Educational Workshop had been distributed and the Chair and Co-Chair of the boards are requested to attend. The workshop would be held on June 6, 2007 at 5:45 p.m.

Ms. Hayes further stated that the June meeting for this Board would involve the review of an application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity.

Chair William Goetz asked that a discussion be held at the next meeting in connection with the modification of the applications for CDBG funds to include specific reference to the development of criteria for effectiveness.

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There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret A. Muhl, Recording Secretary