

Approved Minutes of
Regular Meeting
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Village of Oak Park
March 14, 2024 6:00PM

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Chair Andrew Celis at 6:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Chair Andrew Celis, Greg Buchanan, Nezar Nafiseh, Urmi Sengupta, Karen Schneller and Anne France

ABSENT: Sheena Rayford, Bryan Wong, and Nicholas Mann

STAFF PRESENT: Vanessa Matheny, Grants Manager (Staff Liaison/Recording Secretary) and Nick Meier, Grants Coordinator

AGENDA APPROVAL: Chair Celis asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Noting none, agenda approved unanimously.

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT: Chair Celis asked if there was any non-agenda public comment, and noted there was none.

MINUTES: A motion was made to approve the CDCAC minutes of the February 8, 2023 meeting as drafted. Approval of the minutes as drafted passed by unanimous voice vote.

REGULAR-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT: No Public Comments were received

New Business:

PY2024 CDBG Grant Application and Overview - CDBG Staff provided Commission Members with an update on the PY24 application process. The Commissioners were provided with applications, supporting material, funding recommendation rubrics, CDBG Staff overviews to prepare for the funding cycle.

PY2024 CDBG Presentation Schedule - CDBG Staff provided Commission Members with a draft schedule for April 11, 18, and 25, 2024. The Commission determined to move forward with a presentation schedule of April 18 for applicants.

Community Partnership Award- Commissioners also voted unanimously to award three individuals (Romiesha Tucker, Housing Forward; Suzi Schrader, OPRF Children's Clinic; and Diane Farina White, Community Support Services) and three organizations (Way Back Inn, UCP Seguin of Greater Chicago, and Y.E.M.B.A.) with Community Partnership Awards.

Other Business: Commissioners reviewed the agenda for National Community Development Week, April 1–5, 2024, as well as the agenda for the 50th anniversary of CDBG.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Vanessa Matheny