

Approved Minutes of  
Regular Meeting (Public Hearing)  
**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
Village of Oak Park  
Thursday, May 3, 2016, 7:00 p.m.  
Village Hall, Room 101, 123 Madison Street, Oak Park

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order by Chair Kessen at 7:03 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Chair Lynn Kessen, Catherine Bendowitz, Robert Benoit, Adam Hirsch, Sophia Ioff, Phyllis Russell, Alison Spanner and Lisa Taddei

**ABSENT:** Phyllis Logan (with advance notice)

**STAFF PRESENT:** Mark Dwyer, Grants Supervisor (Staff Liaison & Recording Secretary)

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA:** Chair Kessen asked if there were any changes to the Agenda. Noting none, Agenda approved unanimously.

**NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT:** Noting none, Chair Kessen moved on to the not-yet-approved minutes from the previous meeting.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion was made to approve the not-yet-approved minutes of April 28, 2016. Approval of the not-yet-approved minutes passed by unanimous voice vote.

Chair Kessen asked persons who signed up to provide comments on the PY 2016 CDCAC funding recommendations. All of these persons represented agencies that received Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and/or Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds.

**Public Comments**

The following persons thanked the CDCAC for recommending PY 2016 grant funding for their agencies:

1. Peggy LaFleur from Oak Park River Forest Infant Welfare Society (the Children's Clinic), which was recommended for CDBG Public Services funding;
2. Rocio Perez and Jennifer Schindl from Community Support Services, which was recommended for CDBG Public Services funding;
3. Bethany Maynard-Moody from the Alliance to End Homelessness in Suburban Cook County, which was recommended for ESG funding;

4. Amy O'Rourke from Hephzibah Children's Association, which was recommended for CDBG Public Services funding;
5. Phillip Jimenez and Nicole Gladney from the West Cook YMCA, which was recommended for CDBG Public Services funding;
6. Jim Haptonstahl from UCP Seguin, which was recommended for CDBG Public Facilities Improvements funding; and
7. Lynda Schueler from Housing Forward, which was recommended for CDBG Public Services funding (two projects) and ESG funding (four projects).

**New Business:** None.

**Other Business:** Chair Kessen mentioned the upcoming Day In Our Village (DIOV) festival (June 5, 2016) in which the CDCAC will share a booth with two other Village citizens' committees. In the next week or two, members will be asked via a poll such as Doodle to volunteer to work the event.

One member stated his desire that Village grant-funded agencies that have a DIOV booth should be asked to make the public aware that they are Oak Park CDBG- and/or ESG-funded. This was informally agreed to by members.

The staff liaison said that members will be informed in advance about the Village Board Meeting in which the CDCAC funding recommendations will be approved.

**ADJOURNMENT (voice vote):** Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mark Dwyer