

May 26, 2020 6:30 PM

(President)

## **CDBG Public Hearing AGENDA**

Due to COVID-19 Pandemic, meeting conducted via telecommunications devices through ZOOM platform Gettysburg, PA 17325

#### **MEMBERS**

Theodore Streeter (Mayor) Jacob W. Schindel Wesley K. Heyser (Vice-President) John Lawver Patricia/Lawson Christopher Berger Judith Butterfield Matthew Moon

**STAFF** 

Charles R. Gable, MPA Harold Eastman, Jr.

Sara Stull Sara Stull Robert Glenny, Jr.

**Carly Marshall Debra English Nicolette James Rebecca Fissel Robert Harbaugh** 

**Scott Weaver** Chad Clabaugh, PE **Dave Sanders** 

**Karen Mesher** 

(Borough Manager)

(Solicitor)

(Borough Secretary) (HR Director) (Chief of Police)

(Director of Planning, Zoning & Code Enforcement) (Director of Historic & Environmental Preservation)

(Finance Director) (Parking Manager) (Public Works Director) (Code Enforcement) (Borough Engineer) (EMS Coordinator)

(Administrative Assistant)

Borough Council Public Hearing Agenda
May 26, 2020 – 6:30 PM
Special Council Meeting – Public Hearing on Proposed Use of
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Borough of Gettysburg will conduct a public participation meeting on Tuesday, May 26, 2020 at 6:30 PM before the regularly scheduled Borough Council Meeting, in order to discuss community needs for funding under the fiscal year 2020 State Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and the CDBG Coronavirus funding (CDBG-CV) awarded to Pennsylvania through the federal CARES Act. This meeting's purpose is to solicit citizen input on possible activities to be included in these applications, as well as past performance.

Note that due to the pandemic, this public hearing will be held virtually. Gettysburg Borough residents and/or taxpayers of the Borough desiring to participate by providing public comment at the meeting must preregister with the Borough no later than 12:00 noon on Tuesday, May 26, 2020, by contacting Charles R. Gable, MPA, Borough Manager either by e-mail, <a href="mailto:cgable@gettysburgpa.gov">cgable@gettysburgpa.gov</a>, or by telephone, (717) 334-1160, ext. 222. Each registrant for public comment will be provided with an access code to join the meeting through the Zoom platform either over the internet or by phone.

Gettysburg Borough will receive an allocation of \$130,289 in FY2020 CDBG funds from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and an additional \$70,413 in CDBG-CV funds also from the Commonwealth. Gettysburg Borough's CDBG funds may be used to benefit a variety of activities including water and sewer systems, streets, housing rehabilitation, emergency housing assistance, recreation and community facilities, new public services, historic preservation, removal of architectural barriers, blight removal, economic development, and administration and planning. The Borough must demonstrate that approved projects (1) benefit low to moderate income persons, (2) remove slums or blight, or (3) meet an urgent community need. CDBG-CV funds must be used to benefit activities that respond to the conditions created by the COVID-19 pandemic. FY2020 Entitlement CDBG funds may be used for any eligible activity.

The Borough anticipates submitting two applications through the County of Adams, one under the State FY2020 Entitlement CDBG Program, and the other under the State CDBG-CV Program, during the 2020 calendar year. It is anticipated that no less than 70% of the approved grant funds will benefit low to moderate income persons. Further, it is anticipated that none of the proposed activities will result in temporary or permanent displacement of any households. However, in the event that displacement should occur, the Borough's policy for minimizing such displacement would be in effect. Gettysburg Borough is responsible for replacing all low and moderate income housing units that may be demolished or converted as a result of the use of CDBG funds.

The purpose of this public hearing is to give citizens an opportunity to make their comments known regarding what types of eligible activities Gettysburg Borough should apply for under the State CDBG programs. Separate public meetings will be held later, in June and August-September, to approve the final application and budget allocation amounts.

Anyone requiring special accommodations to participate in the public hearing, or anyone with limited English language proficiency requiring translation services, should contact Sara Stull, Borough Secretary, by phone at (717) 334-1160 ext. 240 or by email at <a href="mailto:Stull@GettysburgPA.gov">Stull@GettysburgPA.gov</a> by Wednesday, May 20,

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2020. All Borough offices are handicapped accessible. However, this meeting will be held virtually via public telephone conference line.

If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to Charles R. Gable, Borough Manager, by email at <a href="mailto:CGable@GettysburgPA.gov">CGable@GettysburgPA.gov</a> or via mail at the Borough of Gettysburg, Attention: Borough Manager, 59 East High Street, Gettysburg, PA 17325 by Friday, May 22, 2020.

The County of Adams and Gettysburg Borough promotes fair housing and makes its entire program available to low and moderate income families regardless of age, ancestry, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, handicap, disability, familial status, or use of guide or support animals due to the blindness, deafness, or physical handicap of the user, or the handling or training of support or guide animals.

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I. Call to Order President Schindel

#### II. Roll Call

Introduce everyone in attendance for the record, including staff, Council, journalists, and the public.

#### III. Welcome and Opening Remarks

**President Schindel** 

Introduce County of Adams Planning Office Staff assigned to Assist Gettysburg with CDBG Application

• Rebecca Moreland

#### IV. Review CDBG Program Guidelines

Rebecca Moreland

- Goals and Objectives of the CDBG Program
- Role of citizens in program planning, implementation, and assessment
- Range of activities which may be undertaken
- Activities previously funded in the Borough through the CDBG program.

### V. Review of Funding Level for 2020

**Manager Gable** 

Review of CDBG-CV Funding Level for 2020Regular CDBG \$130,289.00

• CDBG-CV \$70,413.00

# VI. Review the process to be followed in developing a CDBG application, including the application timetables

**Manager Gable** 

- Deadline for proposals June 12, 2020.
- VII. Public Comment
- VIII. Adjournment