

Stanford City Council
Public Hearing
6:00pm, Lincoln County Public Library
Regular Meeting
6:30pm, Lincoln County Public Library
Thursday, April 8th, 2021

I. Call to Order, Welcome, Pledge and Prayer

Mayor Miller called to order the Public Hearing concerning the 2021 HUD Community Development Block Grant Program (Utility Assistance) at 6:00pm on, Thursday, April 8th, 2021. All recited the pledge to the U.S. Flag after which prayer was led by Councilwoman Sara Givens.

II. Roll Call

A roll call was conducted with the following members present: Eddie Carter, Ronnie Deatherage, Sara Givens, Jason Hignite, and Joe Tackett. A quorum was declared by the Mayor. Also present were: Bob Casher, Bluegrass ADD; John Hackley, City Attorney (6:35); Fire Chief Scott Maples, Police Chief Zach Middleton, Irene Jagers, Fort Foundation; and Ryan Owens, Stanford Water Department.

III. Public Hearing

Mr. Bob Casher with Bluegrass ADD presented information concerning the 2021 HUD Community Development Block Grant Program (Utility Assistance). A detailed sheet is attached. The funds will be used for water, sewer, natural gas and electricity utility assistance. The applications will be made through the CAP office, not through City Hall. It must be a COVID related need and does not apply to businesses. This will be retroactive to January of 2021 and should run through June of 2022. There is a cap of \$1,500 per family.

A motion was made by Councilman Deatherage (2nd by Councilman Carter) to adopt Resolution 2021-0408 City of Stanford CDBG CV 2021.

Information for citizens regarding HUD CDB grants and the draft HUD CDB grant application has been on file since March 30, 2021 and will continue to be on file at the Stanford Mayor's office at least through close of business on April 22, 2021. Information will be disseminated through utility companies, senior centers, churches, family resource centers, radio, and Facebook to reach as many citizen's as possible.

Public Hearing was closed and the Regular Session of the City of Stanford Council Meeting began.

IV. Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Councilman Carter (2nd by Councilman Hignite) to accept the minutes from the March 11th, 2021 Regular City Council Meeting as written. All approved, motion carried.

V. Citizen's Comments

Herman Vickers asked about the Sherwood Drive project. Mayor Miller stated that he had been to see Mr. Vickers on several occasions and had been unsuccessful. A contact time was worked out. Mr. Vickers also asked about the work being done at the old Mobile Home Center lot and would this affect the run off as

well. The City currently has no information on the work being done there. It is possible that the fill dirt on the property is just being leveled.

Irene Jagers shared that the Fort Foundation is planning a yard sale and will soon have a cook book coming out. There are plans to have the Siege this year as soon as repairs at the Fort can be completed. She encouraged everyone to become members and support the Fort Foundation. She also shared that our courthouse has the oldest complete set of records in the State of Kentucky.

IV. Council Comments

Councilman Carter shared that he felt the service honoring Dr. Naren James was very well done.

V. Recognition of Lincoln County Archery Team

Postponed until May 2021 meeting due to scheduling conflicts.

VI. Proclamation, April 2021 National Child Abuse Awareness Month

Mayor Miller shared with the council a Proclamation he signed declaring April 2021 National Child Abuse Awareness Month. Lexi Foster, Executive Director for Southern KY and Amanda Mitchell with our local office shared about their Paint the Town Blue initiative and passed out ribbons, pinwheels and volunteer cards to the council members. They are excited to have an office space now located on Main Street in Stanford and invited everyone to attend their program on April 15, 2021 at 10:00am in front of the courthouse where they will be planting pinwheels to recognize National Child Abuse Awareness Month.

VII. Resolution: A Resolution Approving and Authorizing a First Supplemental Assistance Agreement Between the City of Stanford, Kentucky and the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority for Project Number F17-005

Ryan Owens, shared that this is to continue the project north of DecoArt that had previously been put on hold due to the widening of the road. This will require an additional \$268,000. This is the additional cost for betterment of fire protection and other water services in the area. This will be received at the same interest on the existing project, which is very minimal.

Ryan also addressed the future needs of the water system in the City, noting that we are one of the oldest cities in the state and therefore the lines are old as well....updating those, the sewer lines and the water treatment facility are future projects on the horizon.

A motion was made by Councilman Miracle (2nd by Councilwoman Givens) to adopt the Resolution Approving and Authorizing a First Supplemental Assistance Agreement Between the City of Stanford, Kentucky and the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority for Project Number F17-005. All in favor, motion carried.

VIII. Possible First Reading of Ordinance 920.27B Ordinance Amending by Complete Replacement of Article XI Signs and Billboards

City Attorney John Hackley shared the need for the revision due to updates required to make no differentiation between commercial and political speech.

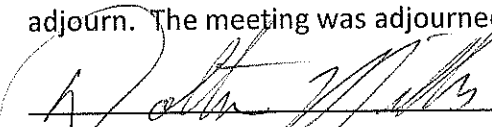
Motion was made by Councilman Deatherage (2nd by Councilman Miracle) to have the First Reading of Ordinance 920.27B Ordinance Amending by Complete Replacement of Article XI Signs and Billboards. All in favor, motion carried. City Attorney John Hackley, made the first reading of the summary.

IX. Mayor's Information to Council

- We currently have 2 part time employees to assist with mowing. They can each work up to 24 hours per week, weather permitting.
- Thanks to the hard work of Jane Vanhook, the city has received a \$5,000 Grant from UK for an Interpretive Walking Trail at the Fort.
- We are receiving an undisclosed amount of money from the American Rescue Care Act that we will receive in two payments at a yet to be disclosed time. There is currently no guidance issued on how it is to be spent.
- The Main Street Clean Sweep event will happen on April 17th from 9am-12pm.
- The first Stanford Wilderness Road Cruise In of the year will take place on Friday, April 16th from 5-8pm and will continue on the third Friday of each month through October, 2021.
- The street department crew filled (6) dumpsters during this year's spring clean-up.
- The Sidewalk Bid was awarded to K&T Concrete to begin at Standing Fort and continue to 401 West Main Street. It is to be completed within 60 days from award.
- The Siege at the Fort will take place sometime after the repairs at the Fort are complete. Irene has been coordinating with the contractor and more information will be coming in the future.
- On March 30, two of our officers, Andy Ferguson and Detective Ryan Kirkpatrick responded to a dispatched call at the Plaza and were able to assist in the release of a 17 year old being held against her will. The Mayor commended them on a job well done.

X. Adjourn

With no further business, a motion was made by Councilwoman Givens (2nd by Councilman Deatherage) to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:12pm.



Dalton Miller, Mayor

5/13/2021

Date:



Jone Allen, CKMC

5/14/2021

Date:

This Public hearing is necessary to comply with the citizen participation requirements of the HUD Community Development Block Grant Program. This meeting was duly advertised in the April 1, 2021 edition of The Interior Journal.

The main purpose of this hearing is to obtain views on housing and community development needs, to review proposed activities, past use of funds, and program performance. In addition, the hearing will provide the public with an opportunity to comment on economic and environmental impacts, the project area, alternatives to the proposed project, cultural and historic issues, or any other pertinent issues.

Technical assistance in preparing applications for HUD funds is available for Stanford and Lincoln County from the Bluegrass ADD. Technical assistance is also available from the Bluegrass ADD to help groups representing low and moderate/income persons in developing proposals.

Information for citizens regarding HUD CDB grants and the draft HUD CDB grant application has been on file since March 30, 2021 and will continue to be on file at the Stanford Mayor's office at least through close of business on April 22, 2021. Information contained in the draft include:

- A. Amount of funds available and the range of activities that may be undertaken.
- B. Estimated amount of funds proposed to be used for activities benefiting persons of low and moderate income.
- C. Plans for minimizing displacement of persons as a result of activities associated with CDBG funds and plans for providing assistance to those persons to be actually displaced as a result of CDBG funded activities.
- D. Records regarding past use of CDBG funds.
- E. Summary of other important program requirements.

Written comments on the proposed HUD application may be submitted to the attention of Mayor Dalton Miller until the close of business on April 22, 2021.

Only cities and counties are eligible applicants for HUD CDB grant funds.

HUD CDBG applicants must meet *at least one* of three national objectives. They are:

- Benefit to persons at least 51 percent who are of low or moderate income
- Elimination of slums or blight
- Meeting community needs of a particular urgency.

The Stanford City Council plans to seek to qualify to apply for HUD CDBG funds under the national objective relating to benefit to persons at least 51.0 percent of whom fit into the low or moderate/income range. More specifically, the City of Stanford seeks funding for that will benefit at least 51% low/moderate income individuals by making funding assistance/forgiveness available for utility bills delinquencies for water/sewer, natural gas, and electricity.

The tentative source of funds budgeted for the project is a \$200,000 CDBG CV Grant:

HUD CDB Grant \$200,000