

JOBS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Date of Meeting: May 6, 2019
Place of Meeting: Marion City Hall

Chairman Jason Schaber called the Meeting of the Committee for Jobs & Economic Development to Order at 7:00PM.

ROLL CALL:

Present -- Jason Schaber, Kevin Norris, Ayers Ratliff

NEW BUSINESS:

Item 1. DISCUSSION – CDBG PROJECTS

Miss Warr-Cummins, Marion Regional Planning, explained that there is \$162,000 to do up to four projects. They must spend at least \$82,000 on projects that benefit low and moderate income people either directly or in a neighborhood (census area). She is looking for a tentative project selection to forward on to full council. A public hearing will be held on 05/13/2019.

Mr. Ratliff proposed the following split:

- City-wide demolition slum and blight \$80,000
- Basketball court at Rotary Park \$30,000
- Sidewalk upgrade leading up to Patton \$15,000
- Upgrade aquatics center at Lincoln Park \$22,000
- Fix concrete in a shelter \$14,000
- Cushion \$1,000

If it comes in less, there are three parks that could get some playground upgrade that would tie in to the project parks.

Miss Warr-Cummins stated that they needed to confirm with Engineer Bischoff some of the quotes on sidewalks, etc.. She expected updated numbers for council meeting.

Safety Director Robbins said that the \$80,000 will be targeted for demolition with the primary project being a property on N. Main Street that used to be Brad's Bookstore. After that is completed, remaining funds could be spent on other projects.

Mr. Ratliff made a motion to recommend to council; Mr. Norris 2nd. Roll Call: Ayes – Mr. Schaber, Mr. Norris, Mr. Ratliff. Nays -- none

LEGISLATION RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL (3-0)

OTHER BUSINESS:

With no further business to come before this Committee, Mr. Schaber adjourned the meeting at 6:50 PM.

Chairman Schaber

Clerk of Council