

FIRST CDBG PUBLIC HEARING

MINUTES OF EUREKA CITY FIRST CDBG PUBLIC HEARING HEARING HELD EUREKA CITY HALL 15 NORTH CHURCH ST ON NOVEMBER 13, 2023, AT 6:30 P.M.

The Eureka City first CDBG public hearing was held on Monday, November 13, 2023, in the Eureka City Hall 15 North Church St. Eureka, UT 84628, meeting commenced at 6:30 P.M.

Present: (Mayor/Commissioner and Council names) Mayor Chris Dever, Council Members Greg Evans, Tom Nedreberg, Travis Haynes, Jeremy Snell, Robert Trepanier

(Other public or elected officials or employees) Six County Representative – Shay Morrison
Maintenance Technician Darrin Carlson,
Maintenance Technician Joe Carpenter

(Public in attendance, including those attending for the CDBG Public Hearing)
HeatherAnn Zufelt, Scott Morgan, Megan Cordova, Shelly Stansfield

City Recorder: Present – Patricia Bigler

City Clerk: Absent - Rachel Carlson

City Attorney: Present via Zoom - Mellissa Mellor

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor Chris Dever opened the public hearing for the CDBG program and stated that the purpose of the public hearing is to provide citizens with pertinent information about the Community Development Block Grant program and to allow for discussion of possible applications for the 2024 funding cycle. It was explained that the grant money must be spent on projects benefiting primarily low and moderate-income persons. The Six County, in which Eureka City is a member, is expecting to receive approximately \$850,000 in this new program year. All eligible activities that can be accomplished under this program are identified in the CDBG Application Policies and Procedures Manual and interested persons can review it at any time. Six County Representative Shay Morrison read several of the eligible activities listed including examples, such as Construction of public works and facilities, e.g., water and sewer lines, fire stations, acquisition of real property, provision of public services such as food banks or homeless shelters, park improvement, playground equipment, senior centers, bike paths, and some vehicle acquisitions. Mayor/Commissioner Chris Dever asked that anyone with questions, comments or suggestions during the hearing please identify themselves by name, before they speak. The clerk will include your names in the minutes, and we would like to specifically respond to your questions and suggestions during the hearing. Ms. Shelly Stansfield said the Memorial Bldg. – Carnegie Library needs to be preserved. She liked the idea of a pocket park that Doug Wright had mentioned in a different meeting. She also mentioned paved trails for biking and walking, new community center, shooting range, or maybe a motocross. Council Member Nedreberg asked Six County Representative Shay Morrison if renovation of a historical building is allowed. He said they usually don't do renovations, but a new building could be funded. Council Member Nedreberg brought up since we are an EPA Superfund site would it be possible to get equipment such as a loader or backhoe. Six County Representative Shay Morrison said that is something we could

consider after this first meeting. He said HUD would need to approve it. Ms. HeatherAnn Zufelt asked if the renovation of the Carnegie Library cannot be done then can an educational center/library for the community be built. Six County Representative Shay Morrison informed everyone that the maximum amount awarded is \$250,000. We could ask for more, but it would need approval. Mrs. Megan Cordova liked the idea of paved trails for biking and walking not only for the residents but for tourists too. Mayor/Commissioner Chris Dever then asked if there were any other suggestions. There were no more suggestions. The hearing was adjourned at 7:00 pm.