

**LODI CITY COUNCIL  
SHIRTSLEEVE SESSION  
CARNEGIE FORUM, 305 WEST PINE STREET  
TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2013**

A. Roll Call by City Clerk

An Informal Informational Meeting ("Shirtsleeve" Session) of the Lodi City Council was held Tuesday, March 5, 2013, commencing at 7:00 a.m.

Present: Council Member Hansen, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Mounce, Mayor Pro Tempore Katzakian, and Mayor Nakanishi

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Bartlam, City Attorney Schwabauer, and City Clerk Johl

B. Topic(s)

B-1 Review of the Annual Community Development Block Grant Funding Requests in the 2013/14 Action Plan (CD)

City Manager Bartlam briefly introduced the subject matter of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding requests for the 2013/14 Action Plan.

Neighborhood Services Manager Joseph Wood provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding CDBG funding requests for the 2013/14 Action Plan. Specific topics of discussion included the annual allocation process, 11 applications received from community based organizations (CBO), an estimated public service cap of \$89,680, overall funding availability, CBO potential projects, funding for public service projects, and the public hearing process.

In response to Council Member Mounce, Mr. Wood stated the Sandidge project on Sacramento Street is a demolition and new construction project and is therefore not an eligible activity.

In response to Council Member Hansen, Mr. Wood stated the Sandidge project is a transit-oriented housing project promoting walkability and usage of the bus and rail system.

In response to Mayor Nakanishi, Mr. Bartlam stated there is no prohibition on the construction of a private senior housing project up to six stories tall in downtown based on the current Development Code.

In response to Council Member Mounce, Mr. Wood confirmed that any unused funds from public service projects will be transferred to CBO projects.

In response to Council Member Johnson, Mr. Bartlam stated the ultimate goal for the Loel Center remains the construction of the parking lot, community garden, and eventually a senior housing project.

In response to Council Member Hansen, Mr. Wood stated the application request for Small Business Development is \$10,000.

In response to Council Member Mounce, Mr. Wood confirmed that the City can provide funding to faith based organizations for public services as long as the service is not a religious activity and staff does monitor this requirement for compliance.

In response to Mayor Nakanishi, Mr. Wood confirmed that the One Eighty Teen Center has

received CDBG funds in past years.

In response to Council Member Johnson, Mr. Wood stated the One Eighty Teen Center project appears to be Gang Reduction, Intervention, and Prevention (GRIP) grant eligible for youth outreach and counseling services and staff will know in approximately one week if it will receive GRIP grant funding.

In response to Council Member Hansen, Mr. Wood confirmed that the graffiti abatement program is utilizing approximately \$50,000 annually in the CDBG target area. Mr. Wood stated graffiti in the public right of way or on public facilities is addressed immediately while permission must be obtained from the property owner for removal on private property.

In response to Council Member Johnson, Mr. Bartlam stated the north side Americans with Disabilities Act improvements at Hutchins Street Square will cost approximately \$250,000 and staff is working on the improvements over the next year.

In response to Mayor Nakanishi, Public Works Director Wally Sandelin stated there is better control over the graffiti removal efforts at Legion Park now and the individual that volunteered to remove graffiti at the previous Council meeting met with some insurance related challenges.

Dale Gillespie spoke in support of the funding request from the Loel Center. A brief discussion ensued between Mr. Gillespie and the City Council regarding the County's decision to retain the Meals on Wheels program to serve frozen meals, the number of individuals served under the current and previous programs in the Lodi area, the Center's desire to serve fresh meals in the future on its own, and the post-remodel kitchen capacity at the Loel Center.

Captain Martin Ross spoke in support of the funding request for the Salvation Army for the tutoring and mentoring program, stating the program provides a preventative safe haven for kids going to and from school. In response to Council Member Hansen, Mr. Ross confirmed that the Salvation Army summer camp for youth operates Monday through Friday for a five-week period during summer to provide youth with an engagement opportunity over summer.

In response to Mayor Nakanishi, Mr. Wood stated the One Eighty Teen Center is run by Executive Director Jake McGregor and is affiliated with First Baptist Church.

C. Comments by Public on Non-Agenda Items

None.

D. Adjournment

No action was taken by the City Council. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 a.m.

ATTEST:

Randi Johl  
City Clerk