



PLANNING BOARD MINUTES
Special Meeting – CDBG Application
July 20, 2023, 6:00pm
Town Council Chambers – Town Hall
350 East Main Road
Middletown, RI 02842

Board members present:

Paul Croce, Chair
Bill Nash, Vice Chair
Michael Fenton, Secretary
Art Weber
B.J. Owen
John Ciummo
Leon Amarant

Also present:

Anita Guo, Principal Planner

Mr. Croce called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

1. Review of proposed Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application for consistency with the Middletown Comprehensive Community Plan.
 - a. Bob Plain of Church Community Housing Corporation (CCHC) was present. Mr. Plain explained the application is for the West House 2 affordable housing project.
 - b. Mr. Croce stated he finds the application consistent with the comprehensive plan and that it provides housing for seniors. Mr. Croce and Mr. Fenton inquired about prior concerns from residents regarding the project. Mr. Plain shared he is not aware of any current concerns.
 - c. Mr. Weber asked about the funding source and competitiveness nature of the grant. Mr. Plain shared that it is federal funding. The CBDG grant has two rounds of funding, and the affordable housing round is not as competitive.
 - d. **Motion** by Ms. Owen, seconded by Mr. Weber to find proposed application consistent with the comprehensive plan. **Vote:** 7-0-0.

Motion by Mr. Nash, seconded by Mr. Weber to adjourn. **Vote:** 7-0-0

Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Fenton, Secretary

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