

Regular Meeting of the Community Development Board
November 3, 2014

Board Members Present: Kamber Kelly, Martha Sanford, Trent Currie, Michele Zahn, Fred Button, Neil Kiner

Excused Board Members: Patt Leikam

Unexcused Board Members: Kathleen Candelaria, Katrina Kruger

Staff Present: Brenda Beckett, Gina Simonetti, Candi Millar

Welcome / Introductions / Announcements: The Community Development Board met at its regular monthly meeting located in the 6th Floor Conference Room, Miller Building, 2825 3rd Ave North, Billings, Montana. Chair Kamber Kelly called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Public Comment: None.

Meeting Minutes: *Trent Currie moved that the minutes of the October meeting be approved as written. Martha Sanford seconded. Motion carried.*

Staff Reports: The monthly reports were sent out from September which everyone received. Staff reviewed and there were no questions from the Board.

- **First Time Homebuyer:** The FTHB program has committed funding to 14 households so far this fiscal year.
- **Foreclosure Acquisition / Rehab Program:** For the Foreclosure Acquisition Program, City Council has been asked to approve program augmentation through the reallocation of funding from the FY 13-14 CDBG First-Time Home Buyer program and reallocation of funding remaining in the City Council's Home Reinvestment Revolving Loan program.
- **Billings Metro VISTA Project:** Two service days took place including 9/11 day and September 12th which celebrated AmeriCorps 20th Anniversary. On 9/11 day, VISTA members took part in a garden clean-up at Independence Hall for the Veteran community. On September 12th, VISTA members along with State and National member, Montana Conservation Corps members, Alumni's, and anyone interested took part in a clean-up at Alkali Creek to celebrate AmeriCorps 20th Anniversary. Jessi Courier and Deidre Loftus held a Faith Engagement Panel where Faith Leaders listened to what the need was of the service providers were in the community and how they could help. 200 people attended the event!

CDBG & HOME Application Guidelines & Application: Brenda Beckett reviewed the application process and guidelines for FY2015-2016. The standard application will still be available online. The Board will review the application and guidelines during December's meeting for approval.

Neighborhood Concerns and Happenings: None.

December Board Meeting: Kamber Kelly who has served on the Community Development Board for eight years is unable to make the next meeting on December 2nd which is her final meeting. Discussion ensued about changing the meeting date so she could attend.

Neil Kiner moved that the December 2nd meeting move to December 9th. Martha Sanford seconded. Motion carried.

Kamber Kelly adjourned meeting and the next meeting is set for December 9th.