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Mayor Thomas J. Broderick, Jr.

ARPA Homeowner Assistance Committee

January 5, 2023

10:30 am

Economic Development Conference Room

Anderson City Hall

Minutes

Attendees: Lelia Kelley, Greg Winkler, John Bostic, Jahnae Erpenbach, Councilor Joe Newman, Tyson Mangrum, and Amber Lewis-Lilly

Absent: Angie Pitts and Councilor Jeff Freeman

Community Member Attendees: Diana Ockomon and Cheryl Mc Phaul

Chairperson Erpenbach started the meeting with roll call. She then asked everyone if they had reviewed the minutes and inquired if there were any questions. There were no questions on the minutes. Councilor Newman made a motion to approve the minutes and seconded by Mr. Bostic.

Chairperson Erpenbach stated first item on the agenda was to finalize and approve the ARPA Application that everyone should have a received a copy.

Discussion was had between committee members in regards to the updated changes to the application. There were a few minor spelling changes that needed to be made.

Discussion was had between committee members regarding the requirement of homeowner insurance for applicants. Recommendation was made not to require the applicant to have it at the time of submitting application but require it as part of the award and provide assistance to help obtain the insurance.

Chairperson Erpenbach made a motion if going to fund home repairs, we are going to require up to two years of homeowner insurance of which we will consider paying for that as part of the grant. Mr. Bostic seconded the motion. Motion passed. 7 – Yes and 0 – No.

Chairperson Erpenbach made a motion to fund utilities as it relates to payment plans of amount owes, reconnect and deposits, delinquent property taxes and penalties, and homeowner property insurance up to two (2) years in alignment with the ARPA funding agreement requirements date of March 3, 2021. Councilor Newman seconded the motion. Motion passed. 7 - Yes and 0 – No.

Discussion was had between committee members regarding Downpayment Assistance and requirements for applicants to apply for funding. Chairperson Erpenbach tabled the discussion in order to have a discussion with Affordable Housing Committee.

Discussion was had between committee members regarding the Comparative Evaluation Criteria on page 5 of the application. Ms. Kelley made the motion of keeping the comparative analysis as is making that the priority applicant and then include a second tier that allows those applicants who will receive a rating would be (2) “Highly Advantageous” and (1) Advantageous and Zero “N/A” to be able to move forward to the committee for consideration. Mr. Mangrum seconded the motion. Motion passed. 7 – Yes and 0 – No.

Councilor Newman made the motion to approve the application and scorecard to include the recommended changes and motions that were made today. Mr. Bostic seconded the motion. Motion passed. 7 – Yes and 0 – No.

Discussion was had on the next meeting date and time for committee member’s availability to meet with the Affordable Housing Committee. Chairperson Erpenbach stated the next meeting date would be Friday, January 13, 2023 at 11:30 am.

Meeting adjourned at 11:58 am.