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From: Robert Rubovits <rrubovits@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 8:14 PM
To: Elmer, Linda
Subject: CEDC

I would hope Mr. Mahan would focus on a revitalization project for Midtown Plaza. It has SO much potential. Shops, light industrial, dining, can all be right near residential customers. It could even have cultural institutions, like a Museum of the Great Migration, documenting the migration of the black community to Milwaukee. There for sure would be money in it from the GMF and matching from businesses. What do you think?

Thanks. ~Robert Rubovits

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From: Pamela Halfmann <pamela000407@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 12:13 AM
To: Elmer, Linda
Subject: Appt of Steve Mahan

Ok, well, under Mr.Mahan, the majority of CDBGs were awarded to white led organizations even when they were in African American communities. Why? Black leaders don't like this, and I agree. Mr. Mahan said maybe it was because black led organizations have a harder time obtaining the liability insurance. Hmmmm...wonder why? Oh yeah because Racism. This is unacceptable. Yeah, it's harder for African Americans to get pretty much everything because Racism. Oh boo hoo Mr. Mahan, does that mean you'll have to work a little harder to be a white ally and make sure these black organizations get what they deserve? Yes, and if you can't you need to get out of the fucking way. Maybe this should go to an African American who has experience in running an organization that was successful in getting block grants. It's always easier for white people to go with who they know and who they know is white people. Not acceptable. Thanks, Pam Halfmann

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From: Martha Rogers <merogers87@icloud.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 8:05 AM
To: Elmer, Linda
Subject: 2009 City's Block Grant Director

Dear Council,

Regarding the appointment of Steve Mahan as City's Block Grant Director: while I'm heartened to learn of the Common Council's decision to seek community input I'm dismayed by the short notice. Decision 6/16, e-notification sent 6/23, committee meeting today, 6/24. And then there's this: ordinary citizens just do not know the quality of individuals. How can input be made without any vitae given out? I hope the people who do know Mr. Mahan offer wise input. I also hope that my critique of the process is heard:

-A wee bit more time please.

-A bio/vitae of the person.

Thank you. And good luck to you.

Sincerely,
Martha E Rogers

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