

INTERDEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

MEMO

To: The Honorable, Members of the Common Council

From: Ald. Joe Davis, Sr., Chair, Community and Economic Development

Committee

Re: Allocation of community development funds

Date: October 13, 2010

Attached are resolutions and accompanying attachments which collectively comprise the City of Milwaukee's 2011 application for community development funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The Community and Economic Development Committee will consider these resolutions at its Monday, October 25, 2010, meeting beginning at 9:00 a.m. in City Hall, Room 301-B. The resolutions contain the recommendations of the Community Development Grants Administration which reviewed all applications for funds; the recommendations are, of course subject to amendment.

To facilitate the process at committee with respect to amendments, the Committee will follow a process similar to that utilized in past years for allocation of community development funds; this process has now been incorporated into the *Common Council Procedure and Rules*. All amendments must be balanced amendments within the same category; meaning if an additional amount is requested for a community group or government agency, an equal amount must be taken from another group or agency. Furthermore, any amendment amending allocation of CDBG funds may not change the amount allocated for the two main categories of CDBG funds. No amendments will be taken on the day of the committee meeting unless the amendment addresses a previously drafted amendment. Any amendments offered at the table must also be "balanced" amendments.

In requesting amendments, please keep in mind that community development funding has decreased significantly in recent years, and, therefore funds should be put to their most efficient use for the benefit of the community and the City.

The schedule to be followed will be:

- 1. Amendment requests must be received by the Legislative Reference Bureau by noon on Friday, October 22.
- 2. The Community and Economic Development Committee will hear the recommendations and written amendments on Monday, October 25 starting at 9:00 a.m.
- 3. The Common Council will consider these matters at its Wednesday, November 3 meeting.

I want to thank all of you for your cooperation in this matter. I look forward to this upcoming meeting and welcome any suggestions you might have for improving this procedure.

cc: Community Development Grants Administration