COP House grant to Journey House

Community and Economic Development Committee
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Background

- 2019 budget: \$375,000 allocated to DCD capital fund for COP House program
- Purpose: Assist Promise Zone organizations to buy and renovate foreclosed property for operation as COP Houses
- Renovated space available for police officers, City government staff and other organizations to meet with citizens

Project description

- Property: 2033 W. Scott St.
 - Purchased by Journey House from City in 2016
 - Initially remodeled as apartments for youth transitioning out of foster care
- Project will repurpose portion of first floor as The Journey Café and Southside City Hub
- Café will provide training and work experience for participants in Journey House hospitality workforce development initiative
- Hub will serve as community space consistent with COP House goals
 - Equipped with WiFi, conference phone, projection technology

Project costs

- Estimated project cost: \$225,000
- Resources
 - COP House grant: \$93,750
 - Private fund-raising
 - Brew City Match
 - In-kind donations
 - Colectivo Coffee
 - Bel Air Cantina
 - Quorum Architects



Grant terms

- Hub must be open for meetings and drop-in activities during all hours the Journey Café is open.
- Journey House to assign a staff person to handle booking of Hub space.
- Building must pay property taxes.
- Grant to be disbursed in three payments as reimbursement for completed work.