

**CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

JANUARY 17, 2019

**PORTSMOUTH CITY HALL
CONFERENCE ROOM A**

6:00 P.M.

Present: Hannah Dahlgren, Jonathan Sandberg Marie Cowgill, Judy Bunnell, Alison Hamilton, Jan Phelps

Absent: Lynne Langlely

Staff: Elise Annunziata, Community Development Coordinator

Ms. Annunziata called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. She relayed that Dani Rooney would be stepping down from the committee and a vacancy would be posted on the City website. She also asked committee members to consider names for serving on the committee.

Motions were taken for Chair and Vice Chair. The committee unanimously agreed on Hannah Dahlgren as Chair and Jonathan Sandberg as Vice Chair. Ms. Dahlgren took over the meeting facilitation.

Ms. Annunziata presented an overview of the CDBG Program and Community Development work undertaken in FY 19 playground improvements at Gosling Meadows and Wamesit Place, an ADA accessible ramp at PPMTV building, and public services programs. An update about the Senior Recreation Center Adaptive Reuse Project (from the former Doble Army Reserve Center) was provided, as well as a short discussion about the effects of the government shut down on HUD programs.

The committee reviewed the FY 20 CDBG budget timeline and the process for recommending to HUD the FY 20 CDBG budget and Annual Action Plan. The committee's upcoming meeting schedule was also reviewed and agreed upon.

The FY 20 Public Service Agency Grant Round will open on January 18, with application due on February 14.

The committee discussed the eligibility of potential new projects. Ms. Annunziata gave an update about a project that had been recommended as part of the Capital Improvement Plan process – a specialized park for children with disabilities

The next committee meeting will be a public hearing on February 12, 2019 to discuss community needs that may be addressed in the CDBG Annual Action Plan.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.