



# Community Preservation Committee

Regular

~ Minutes ~

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Kevin Chaffee

Tuesday, June 2, 2020

6:00 PM

Utilizing Remote Collaboration Technology

## I. Call to Order

6:00 PM Meeting called to order on June 2, 2020 at Utilizing Remote Collaboration Technology, (Online), Springfield, MA.

| Attendee Name | Title | Status | Arrived |
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## II. Public Portion

### III. Minutes

### Springfield Community Preservation Committee Remote Meeting June 2, 2020

**Present:** Gloria DeFillipo, David Finn, Juanita Martinez, Robert McCarroll  
Terry Mitchell, Terry Rodriguez, Ralph Slate, Willie Thomas

**Absent:** Lamar Cook

Robert McCarroll began the meeting by introducing the Committee; Gloria DeFillipo Planning Board Representative, David Finn: The Historical Commission Representative, Juanita Martinez: Conservation, Terry Mitchell: Neighborhood, Terry Rodriguez: The Park Department, Ralph Slate: Neighborhood Representative, Willie Thomas: The Housing Authority and Myself Bob McCarroll: The Springfield Preservation Trust

Robert began the meeting by addressing those present. As we enter year three we have twenty-five applications to consider they are asking for nearly four million dollars and we only have a million three to recommend. The twenty five projects come from Memorial Square, East Springfield, Indian Orchard, Sixteen Acres, Forest Park, Six Corners, McKnight, Metro Center and City Wide.

#### Emergency Rental Assistance for COVID-19 by Wayfinders:

##### **Lauren Voyer**

Lauren stated that they are out of funding and Mary Beth Dowd also stated that they are out of funding for emergency rental assistance due to Co-Ved19. There simply isn't enough money with 2,000 applicants. This is for Springfield residents only.

**Building Beauty for the Community by Youth Social Educational Program****Paula Starns**

This is a job training program that is equipped for employment and it is extended for eighteen year olds. They need replacement of broken windows that were replaced in the 1960's. We would like to re-point the brick also.

**Reuse Wood to Rebuild Wealth by Greater New Life Christian Center****Pam Howland**

Pam stated that there was an enormous amount of wood that could be re-used for a job training program combined with the New Life Christian Centers comprehensive job training program that includes woodworking. We train fifteen individuals a year and we are also looking for young woman to train with us. They would find jobs under our partnerships.

**Highland Heritage Trail****Charles Knight**

Charles would like to see a Trolley put in Springfield that would connect with the PVTA. It would cost \$50,000 to purchase and restore these trolleys. Our goal is to have the trolleys go from the McKnight neighborhood to union station. Twelve people have purchased the rights to this project.

**McKnight District Common Areas Restoration Project****Damien Phillips**

Mr. Phillips goal is to make McKnight more inviting. Open spaces needed to be visited, a traffic study needs to be done and the water at the dingle should be tested as the water seems to be tainted. Bob stated that he would like to see a breakdown of his projects and noted that it must be in no later than June 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Preservation Revolving Fund****David Gaby**

Mr. Gaby stated that \$200,000 as a general fund for the specific properties that have serious deterioration. We only have money for demolition. We are proposing that funds be held by the city and that any re-payment goes to the city. Any specification writing would be invoiced.

**Model Mixed-Income Affordable Ownership Housing Project****David Gaby**

Open housing for mixed income patented substitute for families. There are three units on Bay Street. These would be affordable housing for lower income families. It was determined that Dr. Alli would have to submit a breakdown of everything he is requesting and it must be sent to the committee no later than June 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Trinity House Women in Crisis Shelter by Holy Trinity Church**

**Lisa Goodman**

Trinity House is now assessed at \$50,000 and we are looking for funding for the rehab of this building. They have estimates from four contractors. However, there were questions regarding the renovation especially that this house may be considered as historic. Historic Preservation Renovation Secretary of Standards could be a problem in this renovation.

**Classical High Façade Restoration by Classical High Condominium Trust**

**Jeffery Gurney**

A lot of capital in the interior however, the exterior is in need of repair. Masonry and brick work needs to be done. We have estimates from Springfield based contractors. We are looking at about \$150,000. Robert then stated that we would need a quote for masonry no later than June 20<sup>th</sup> so we could make a determination on this project.

**Approve Minutes of May 19<sup>th</sup>**

Ms. Martinez made the motion to approve the minutes of the May 19<sup>th</sup> meeting Mr. Finn second the motion. **In Favor:** Ms. DeFillipo, Mr. Finn, Ms. Martinez, Mr. Slate, Mr. Thomas, and Mr. McCarroll

Develop Springfield, needs an extension for the Gunn Block project. A discussion concerning this request and a vote was taken. **In Favor:** Ms. DeFillipo, Mr. Finn, Ms. Martinez, Mr. Slate, Mr. Thomas and Mr. McCarroll

Robert went over the 2021 budget and stated that he would like to use a conservative figure. Gloria made the motion to agree with Robert and David second the motion.

**In Favor:** Ms. DeFillipo, Ms. Martinez, Mr. Slate, Mr. Finn, Mr. Thomas, Mr. McCarroll

At our next meeting we will choose the top eight projects and the amount of money we will allocate for each project.

**Our next meeting will be June 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm**