

CITY OF SIGOURNEY, IOWA
MINUTES OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING OF
DECEMBER 2, 1991

The Sigourney City Council met in special session in the Council Chambers of the Memorial Hall on Monday, December 2, 1991 at 5:30 o'clock P.M., as posted, with Mayor Park presiding and the following Councilpersons answering roll call: Van Fleet, H. Seip, Butler, Welter, and Wells. Others present were Paul Stueckradt, Area 15 Senior Planner, Trudy Welter, Blake Gosnell, Fran Besser, Debi Flanders, Sharon Miller, Ken Chaney, and the City Clerk.

The Mayor opened the public hearing for the purpose of discussing the City's intent to submit an application to the Iowa Department of Economic Development requesting CDBG funds for housing rehabilitation, demolition and acquisition/relocation program.

Councilperson Welter moved, seconded by Councilperson Van Fleet, that improvements to the Sigourney Public Library be stricken from the agenda. Upon the roll being called, the following voted: Ayes: Van Fleet, H. Seip, Butler, Welter, and Wells. Nays: None. The motion was approved.

Paul Stueckradt presented the following information with regard to the proposed CDBG Application.

The City of Sigourney is requesting CDBG financial assistance to undertake a housing rehabilitation, demolition and acquisition/relocation program. The City is projecting that four vacant residential properties could be demolished, two households relocated into housing units meeting Section 8 Housing Standards and twelve homes rehabilitated under the eighteen month program.

The need for the project was determined following the completion of a housing condition survey which indicated that several health, safety and fire hazards are present due to the condition of many housing units in the area. In addition, the City Council has previously recognized the need to spur re-development in the City's housing stock and plans to implement a City-Wide Urban Revitalization Plan which will provide incentives for revitalization projects.

Total project costs are estimated to be \$323,000. Funding for the project will be provided through the Iowa Department of Economic Developments' Community Development Block Grant program for improvements to residential properties.

The application must be submitted to Iowa Department of Economic Development by December 3, 1991.

The portion of the requested funds that are estimated to benefit Low and Moderate Income persons is 91.4% or \$275,974.

Project activities will occur in areas of the community described as the northeast target area.

The occupants of two households may be displaced, or relocated, to an improved dwelling unit as the result of this project. However, the City intends to minimize this activity to the greatest extent possible by providing for CDBG loans and assisting homeowners with loan applications to FmHA or local banks. This assistance would be provided above and beyond the regular forgivable loan offered under the rehabilitation program.

Questions and comments were then addressed.

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Councilperson Van Fleet moved, seconded by Councilperson Welter, that the Resolution adopted November 20, 1991 be re-confirmed and the Mayor is again specifically authorized to sign the Assurances page which is a part of the said Application. Upon the roll being called, the following voted: Ayes: Van Fleet, H. Seip, Butler, Welter, and Wells. Nays: None. The motion was approved.

The Mayor called for a motion to close the public hearing. Councilperson H. Seip moved, at 5:55 o'clock P.M., seconded by Councilperson Welter, that the hearing be closed and the meeting adjourn.



MAYOR

ATTEST:



CITY CLERK