



## County Council Committee Minutes

### Public Health and Human Services Committee March 18, 2019

The Public Health and Human Services Committee of Spartanburg County Council met on Monday, March 18, 2019, in County Council Chambers of the County Administrative Office Building. In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, notice of this meeting was provided in advance to the local news media and other interested parties. The following were in attendance: Honorables Michael Brown and Bob Walker, Committee Members; along with Manning Lynch, Jack Mabry, David Britt, and Roger Nutt, Council Members. Also attending were Cole Alverson, County Administrator, Jim Hipp, Deputy County Administrator; John Harris, County Attorney; and Ginny Dupont, County Attorney. Honorable Whitney Farr, Chairman, was absent.

I.

Honorable Michael Brown called the meeting to order.

II.

- A. Ms. Melissa Mailloux, Mosaic Community Planning, Consultant for preparing the **Joint Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice** for Spartanburg County, City of Spartanburg, and Spartanburg Housing Authority, presented information in reference to the Joint Analysis. (Presentation included in backup) This is required by HUD (U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development) for all CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) grantees and public housing authorities. This Study assesses equal access to housing as set forth by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Fair Housing Act of 1968 which "protect a person's right to own, sell, purchase, or rent housing of his or her choice without fear of unlawful discrimination." Six items were identified as some of the things the City and County are planning over the next five years to work to improve access to housing and opportunity here. No action was requested.
  
- B. Ms. Kathy Rivers, Director of Community Development Department, presented information in reference to the **Community Development Block Grant Program and Home Investment Partnerships Program Funding Recommendations**. The Community

Development Department's Annual Action Plan for FY2019-2020 was presented. The Annual Action Plan for FY2019-2020 is a part of the 2019-2023 Five-Year Consolidated Plan. Congress has not given us our allocation, but a 20% reduction from last year is expected. Based on previous experiences, an estimated \$1.6 million is expected to be received. Most of the requests are for projects funded in the past. At its meeting on November 13, 2018, the Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC) approved the Plan. A Public Hearing was held on December 11, 2019, with citizens and agencies represented supporting the recommendations. Approval was requested in order to submit the Plan to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) by May 15, 2019. Motion made by Mr. Walker to approve the FY 2018 Annual Action Plan. Motion seconded by Mr. Brown and carried.

Meeting adjourned.