

DU PAGE COUNTY

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CDC - Executive Committee Final Summary

Tuesday, May 6, 2025 11:35 AM ROOM 3500B

or immediately following HAG

1. CALL TO ORDER

11:35 AM meeting was called to order by Chair LaPlante at 11:42 AM.

2. ROLL CALL

Staff Present: Mary Keating, Community Services Director; Julie Hamlin, Community Development Administrator; Ashley Miller, Community Development Manager; Rebecca DeLaura, Housing & Community Development Planner; Momina Baig, Housing & Community Development Planner (Remote); Chloe Harrington, Housing & Community Development Planner (Remote); Alyssa Jaje, Harrington, Housing & Community Development Planner (Remote); Amish Kadakia, Senior Accountant (Remote); County Board member Yeena Yoo; Assistant State's Attorney - Katherine Fahy

PRESENT	Haider, Honig, LaPlante, Schwarze, Bastian, and Bricks
ABSENT	Cronin Cahill, Crandall, Krajewski, Flint, and Hennerfeind

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were offered.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.A. **25-1192**

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RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Lynn LaPlante

SECONDER: Saba Haider

5. COMMITTEE VOTE REQUIRED

5.A. **25-1193**

Request for direction as to whether a 2026 program year Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Capital Improvement application round should be held.

Mary Keating, Director of Community Services, explained the Community Development Commission aims to support both municipal infrastructure projects and nonprofit capital improvements. Our process for capital for nonprofits requires nonprofits to conduct an assessment to ensure well-developed applications. Many lack internal resources for this, making external evaluations necessary. The challenge for us is that nonprofit projects incur unexpected costs due to complex funding processes to meet federal guidelines. Nonprofit applications for the 2026 program year must be submitted by October of 2025 requiring nonprofits to complete assessments in the coming months. CDBG funding is uncertain. While past attempts to eliminate the program have failed, current discretionary spending cuts make 2026 funding unpredictable. Community Development Commission must determine whether to move forward with nonprofit funding applications despite uncertainty or reallocate funds to municipal projects. Many members had questions regarding the future funding of CDBG projects and ways to ensure the projects are funded. Mary Keating reiterated that the funding is extremely important due to the types of projects that may not attract private funding. Many organizations are inquiring about the funding available and our plans to have a capital improvement application round for 2026.

Chair LaPlante made the motion for roll call vote: Proceed with the grant process as planned with the acknowledgment that conditions remain volatile and unpredictable and to continue communications with community partners.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Lynn LaPlante

SECONDER: Greg Schwarze

AYES: Haider, Honig, LaPlante, Schwarze, Bastian, and Bricks
ABSENT: Cronin Cahill, Crandall, Krajewski, Flint, and Hennerfeind

6. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was discussed.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:01 PM.

8. **NEXT MEETING DATE - JUNE 3, 2025**