

DU PAGE COUNTY

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Community Development Commission Final Summary

Tuesday, April 1, 2025 11:30 AM Room 3500B

1. CALL TO ORDER

11:30 AM meeting was called to order by Acting Chair Lynn LaPlante at 11:41 AM.

2. ROLL CALL

Staff Present: Mary Keating, Community Services Director; Julie Hamlin, Community Development Administrator; Amish Kadakia, Senior Accountant (Remote), Ashley Miller, Community Development Manager, Rebecca DeLaura, Housing & Community Development Planner

Assistant State's Attorney - Katherine Fahy

PRESENT	Crandall, DeSart, Eckhoff, Garcia, Honig, Rutledge, Schwarze, Bastian, Evans, Childress, Flint, Galassi, LaPlante, Farrell, Gascoigne, Hennerfeind, Jones, Poeicha, and Pozsgay
ABSENT	Covert, Krajewski, Tornatore, Zay, Bricks, Cage, Chassee, Franz, Hocking, Yoo, Franz, Gargano, Gombac, Govind, Headley, Krol, McLaughlin, Page, Popovich, Stone, Barrett, and Smetana
REMOTE	Haider, and Cronin Cahill
LATE	Ozog

MOTION TO ALLOW REMOTE PARTICIPATION

There has been a request to allow remote participation from Member Saba Haider and Member Cindy Cronin-Cahill under Section 7 (a) of the Open Meetings Act; Pursuant to Section 7(a) of the Open Meetings Act, if a Quorum of the members of the public body is physically present, as required by Section 2.01, a majority of the public body may allow a member of that body to attend the meeting by other means, if the member is prevented from physically attending because of: (5 ILCS 120/7(a). 7(a) permits attending electronically due to (i) Illness or disability, (ii) employment purposes or the business of the public body, or (iii) a family or other emergency.)

RESULT: APPROVED **MOVER:** Lucy Evans

SECONDER: Michael Crandall

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were offered.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.A. **25-0904**

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RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Lucy Evans

SECONDER: Kari Galassi

5. COMMITTEE VOTE REQUIRED

5.A. **25-0905**

Approval of the FY2025 Slate of Officers and Community Development Commission Executive Committee as Presented.

The specifics are available in the memo included in the agenda packet.

RESULT: APPROVED
MOVER: Paula Garcia
SECONDER: Lucy Evans

AYES: Crandall, DeSart, Eckhoff, Garcia, Honig, Rutledge, Schwarze,

Bastian, Evans, Childress, Flint, Galassi, LaPlante, Farrell, Gascoigne, Hennerfeind, Jones, Poeicha, and Pozsgay

ABSENT: Covert, Krajewski, Tornatore, Zay, Bricks, Cage, Chassee, Franz,

Hocking, Yoo, Franz, Gargano, Gombac, Govind, Headley, Krol,

McLaughlin, Page, Popovich, Stone, Barrett, and Smetana

REMOTE: Haider, and Cronin Cahill

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5.B. **25-0906**

Recommendation of approval to engage with the Hanover Park Park District regarding the possibility of using available Community Development Block Grant-Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) funds for improvements to the Hollywood Park Playground in the Village of Hanover Park

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A recommendation was made to approve engagement with the Hanover Park Park District to explore the possibility of utilizing available Community Development Block Grant - Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) Funds for improvements to the Hollywood Park Playground. DuPage County received approximately \$6.6M in Community Development Block Grant - Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) funding in 2021 and must be expended by June 4, 2027. Several projects have already been successfully completed, leaving a remaining balance available for additional initiatives \$407,522.06. We are bringing forth this request and recommendation, so we can move one final project along with the available funding. Our proposal is to adjust our administration and planning amount so we can book a little extra money into a public facility improvement project. Allowing \$391,000 to do that park improvement. This project was initially identified in October 2024, following our open call for neighborhood investment applications for 2025 and 2026 program years. As part of those applications, we allowed parks and recreational facilities improvements to be applied for. We received two projects that met that park and recreational facility improvement requirement and decided Hanover Park, Park District project was a good fit. The Park Improvement project aims to replace a 30-year-old playground that has exceeded its useful life. Located in a residential neighborhood where 86.6% of households are classified as low to moderate income, the project aligns with HUD guidance for the CDBG-CV program. Upon review of requested documentation and confirmation of the project is eligible under CDBG-CV rules and requirements, a formal recommendation for a CDBG-CV agreement will be present to this committee. Concerns about Hannover Park being in Cook County and DuPage County were raised. Concerns that Hanover Park Park District isn't part of this right now, Julie Hamlin explained that we have not engaged with them in regard to using CDBG-CV funds because as part of our 2025/2026 funding process they were informed that that project wasn't recommended for the CDBG allocation, but Hanover Park Park District would be a great fit for CDBG-CV.

Julie Hamlin discussed Hanover Park would have to come up with general funds to cover costs for Architectural, engineering, construction management and the bulk of the Hanover Park Park district requested funds are funds from CDBG. Mary Keating suggested Julie Hamlin to first permission to engage with Hanover Park Park District in this project, given that this is an unusual situation. Normally, once an organization applies for a specific funding opportunity, the matter is considered closed. Additionally, communities spanning multiple counties can choose to either divide their population between two urban counties or align entirely with one.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Lucy Evans

SECONDER: Kari Galassi

AYES: Crandall, DeSart, Eckhoff, Garcia, Honig, Rutledge, Schwarze,

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6. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was discussed.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:05 PM.

8. NEXT MEETING DATE - APRIL 7, 2026