

MINUTES

PUBLIC HEARING

December 7th, 2016

6:30 P.M.

Mayor Korry Soper in chair and presiding. Roll call showed Council Members Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett and Vaun Mickelsen present, along with City Administrator Kent Barton. The Mayor stated that Councilmembers Gary Chidester and Jason Vernon had asked to be excused.

The Mayor called the hearing to order and read the following statement:

“This hearing is being called to consider potential projects for which funding may be applied for under the 2017 Community Development Block Grant Program. Grant money received under this program must be spent on projects benefiting primarily low and moderate-income persons. The Six-County Association of Governments, of which Manti City is a member, is expecting to receive approximately \$500,000 in this new program year. All eligible activities that can be accomplished under this program are identified in the CDBG Application Policies and Procedures Manual, and interested persons can review this information at any time.

“Eligible projects include real property acquisition and public works projects such as construction of fire stations, placement of water and sewer lines. Also included are, provision of public services such as food banks of homeless shelters.

“Also eligible are loan programs for private businesses, which would then hire low-income persons. The program can also pay for housing rehabilitation or down payment assistance for low income homeowners.

“Projects in Manti that have received past funding from the Community Development Block Grant include:

- ∞ Construction of the Manti Fire Station, and*
- ∞ The installation of the elevator at Historic City Hall.*

“We have copies of our capital investment plan available tonight, which is part of the regional Six-County “Consolidated Plan”. This list shows projects the city has identified as being needed in the community.

“We now invite anyone present who desires to ask questions, make comments or suggestions to come forward to the podium and state your name. We desire to respond to any questions you may have in this hearing. Your names and

comments will be included in the minutes of the hearing. I now invite any who desire to come forward and make public comment”.

Seeing that no one came forward to make comment, Mayor Soper asked Administrator Kent Barton to display on the city’s Capital Investment List and noted that in order for projects to be considered for funding, they must be on this list, which is updated annually in a meeting with city officials and 6-County AOG representatives. The Mayor noted two projects on the list: 1) Sewer lagoon wastewater management through land application and, 2) street and sidewalk upgrades on Union Street adjacent to the elementary school. The Mayor explained that both projects are categorized as “high priority and are projects that the Council would consider applying for CDBG funding, along with any other suggestions from the community. Kent Barton mentioned that he had attended a recent required training session for all communities planning to apply for CDBG funding. He explained that projects are scored on several criterion and remarked that he felt that based on the criterion, he felt Manti would be able to put together a strong application, depending on the project selected.

Seeing that no public comment was desired, the Mayor closed the hearing at 6:40 pm.

Korry L. Soper, Mayor

Kent Barton, Recorder/Administrator