

HUBBARD CITY NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PRGRAM COMMUNITY  
OUTREACH MEETING #1 MINUTES

Hubbard Administration Building, Council Chambers, 220 West Liberty Street Hubbard, OH  
44425, Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from 7:00 P.M. to 8 P.M.

See attached Agenda and Sign-In Sheet

Mayor John Darko started the meeting with welcome and introductions including Julie Green from Trumbull County. Julie Green started the meeting with an explanation of the program application process and rules and started discussing items included on the agenda; the Hubbard City Neighborhood Revitalization Grant Community Outreach Meeting schedule, the Purpose and Review of the Community Development Block Grant Program, the Income Survey Update, Eligible Activities, National Objectives, Request for Information on the Needs of the Target Area, Needs Worksheet, Prioritization and Ranking Process and Question and Answer Session.

The Mayor opened the meeting for discussion and questions.

Michael Kerr of Doris Drive reported that the sidewalks located on his street are a high priority to be addressed. He explained that the large maple trees located within the public rights-of-way have lifted the sidewalks over the years and that people walk on the street rather than on the sidewalks due to their undulating condition causing a secondary safety issue to emerge. Mr. Kerr is requesting that both tree removal and sidewalk replacement occur together in order to alleviate this problem on Doris Drive. He also mentioned that as a bonus, with the removal of the trees, the leaves from the trees will no longer fall into the catch basins clogging them and causing flooding. The Mayor stated that he was aware of the tree removal and sidewalk replacement request for all of the streets located in Hubbard Estates and would consider the project be included in the final application for funding. Mr. Kerr stated that sidewalk replacement be rated as the first priority and that tree removal in the public rights-of-way is rated as the second priority.

Councilperson-at-Large Jerry Crowe stated that the section of pavement on East Water Street located between Elmwood Drive and Princeton Avenue SE contains many layers of asphalt that have increased its height to a degree that causes water to cascade off the street into the driveways causing puddles to form and damage to the private drives along the street. Curbs and catch basins also need to be replaced once the height of the asphalt is milled away and resurfaced. He mentioned that a grant had been secured by the city to resurface Myron Street in 2017. He would like to see the street level with curbs and catch basins with adequate openings to convey storm water when necessary.

John Havalos, member of the City's Park & Recreation Board spoke next and requested that the city consider including a number of park improvement projects with the competitive grant request. He stated that there is a need for new restrooms at Jones Park and that both Waugh and Jones Park would benefit from projects that will improve accessibility, expand parking and replace outdated park equipment. The expansion of a parking area at Waugh Park will also serve to alleviate a safety concern in a nearby neighborhood; people park on the street to access the park and the safety of the neighborhood residents are impacted by the continuous stream of traffic entering the neighborhood park. A pavilion at Jones Park needs refurbished along with the basketball courts. The Board would also like to see a water park installation and upgrades to the chain link fencing. Finally, the concession building at Waugh Park requires connection to the public water and sanitary sewer system located approximately 100 yards away.

Chip Silvidi of Princeton Avenue SE echoed the concerns raised by Councilman Jerry Crowe above regarding the height of the pavement on East Water Street and the problems that arise when it rains as a result. He requested that curbing be restored and pavement be milled to a lower elevation to alleviate the flooding from the run-off.

Jeff Scacchetti inquired about the issue of blight. He asked the Mayor about the city's policy concerning littering. He stated that there is a vacant lot on 200 block of Moore Street that contains a lot of debris and litter. The Mayor stated that the city does have a property maintenance code and explained that the process for demolishing dilapidated houses is lengthy and complex. The Mayor recommended that Mr. Scacchetti contact the city's planning and zoning office. Ms. Green recommended a city clean-up day and Councilperson Crowe stated that a clean-up day is in the process of being organized for the City of Hubbard and to speak with him after the meeting. Mr. Scacchetti inquired about using the funds for residential homeowner rehabilitation. The Mayor explained that the city had applied for CHIP funding in 2016 and the application was not awarded but that they will re-apply this year.

The Mayor stated that water and sewer line replacement needs are being investigated for the entire target area and then asked Councilman Mike Toda for comment. He declined.

Louis Carson of East Park Avenue stated that there is a need to upgrade Jones Park including the outdated equipment. He also mentioned that the catch basins are old and deteriorating in his neighborhood; sinking, crumbling and falling in on themselves. The pavement has too many layers and causes run-off issues on his street as well. He stated that at the corner of Jean Drive and East Water Street there is a permanent lake of water approximately ten to fifteen yards long and the roadway he resides on (Eats Park) has a significant hump in the middle of it. He stated it is a mosquito breeding ground and that sump pumps and field drains empty into the street and public right-of way causing ice jams. Storm drainage facility improvements would solve this problem in the public right of way. Chip Silvidi stated that he has photographs detailing these issues and has shared them with Councilman Ben Kyle in the past. Ms. Green requested copies of these photographs be shared with the mayor's office for the purposes of including them with the grant application.

James Wynne of Princeton stated that the sanitary sewer line is in need of repair on his street. The street where the sanitary sewer line is located is failing just before the intersection of East Water Street and Princeton. He stated that the city added cold patch to the depression and that it should be replaced between Edmond Street and Princeton.

The Mayor stated that street resurfacing is also being evaluated as a possible activity to include in the grant application including sections of Moore Street, Saul Drive, Waugh Drive and Hillview Drive. Waugh Drive is a main artery for the target area that benefits the entire neighborhood as everyone uses it daily to access their homes from Elmwood Drive and other points west. It was also mentioned by a resident that Elizabeth Street is in need of street repairs.

The mayor stated that the number of fire hydrants located in the target area is being evaluated by the local fire official and that additional hydrants may be installed as part of this program.

A resident inquired on the use of the grant funds to replace street light bulbs with LED lighting. All are city owned and operate as part of a lighting district. Julie Green will inquire as to eligibility under this program. The mayor stated that the city has already begun the process of replacing over 650 light bulbs with LED lights.

John Natoli stated that the deteriorated condition of the sidewalks in his neighborhood cause persons to walk in the street which in turn creates a safety issue. He witnessed a woman walking an infant stroller down the middle of the street because of the uneven condition of the sidewalks on Saul Drive and neighboring streets.

Mark Toth of Erie Street stated that the sanitary sewer lines on his street and in the surrounding area are undersized and as a result sewer backup instances occur in his basement whenever rain events occur.

One of residents inquired about how the projects were prioritized and Ms. Green explained the amount that the city is able to apply for and the potential amount of matching funds that the county will allocate based on the consent of the Commissioners. The projects to be addressed through this program are to be selected based on input and prioritizing conducted by the residents of the neighborhood through meeting discussion and survey results. Projects also must be eligible under the program rules and guidelines assuming that the target area qualifies by income. Income surveys are still being collected and tallied as of today and must be collected according to a randomized selection process detailed by the state's prescribed methodology and explained to those in attendance by Ms. Green.

Another resident reiterated that the city's sanitary sewer system needs to be upgraded.

The Mayor asked for any additional comments and there were none and so the meeting adjourned at 8 P.M.

# **HUBBARD CITY NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION GRANT COMMUNITY OUTREACH MEETING #1 AGENDA**

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If you have any questions or need additional information please contact  
Julie M. Green at 330-675-6620 or at [cegreen@co.trumbull.oh.us](mailto:cegreen@co.trumbull.oh.us)

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1	Julie Marie Green, Grants Manager	Mailing Address is 160 High Street NW, Warren, Ohio 44481 and Office Location is 106 High Street NW, 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Warren, Ohio 44481	Trumbull County Commissioners' Office	330-675-6620/ 330-675-2462	cegreen@co.trumbull.oh.us
2	JAN Livingston Service Director Hubbard City	P.O. Box 307		330-534-7759	
3	John Havalos Park & Rec Board	87 Hillview Dr Hubbard, Ohio 44425	Park & Rec Board	330-534-4216	JCH87@SBCGLOBAL. NET
4	John Betsel Nitto Li	629 Saul Dr		330 534 1691	
5	Michael Kerr	1174 Doris Drive	Resident City	330 719 9119	MIKEKHULL@aol.com

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6	Thomas Kettnerius	908 SAVL Hubbard Ohio 44425		330 534 9660	wone
7	Jeff Scacchetti	208 E Park Ave Hubbard, Oh 44425		(330) 534-9098	
8	JUSTIN SILVIDI	115 Forest Hill Hubbard		534-4760	
9	MINE TODA	344 Elizabeth St. Hubbard		550-46413	
10	MARK + Joan Toth	409 FAIRIE ST		330 534 5889	
11	R. Fenton	551 Center St		330 534-1460	

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12	Don & Jane Snowberger	260 Jean Dr. Hubbard		330-534-1941	sknowgoose@gmail.com
13	Dave Kruck	802 School St. Hubbard		330-534-9023	davikruck@Msn.com
14	Mary Ann & Chip Silividi	309 Princeton Ave Hubbard		330 534 7984	
15	Jerry Grove	373 Scott St	Council at Large	534-1123	
16	Louis Carson	411 East Park			l.carson@cityofhubbard-oh.gov
17	Nubzio Scacchetti	208 East Park		3305340028	

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18	Jovanni Scattatti	208 E Park			
19	James Wpne	317 Princeton		3306190115	
20	Jeff Sampson	603 Moore St		330-360-6484	
21	John Narko	459 Wendover		330-534-5425	
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