

COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
April 25, 2019

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Judy Drotman, Chair
Kimberly O'Neil, Vice Chair
Karen Bellessa
Johnny Tseng
Donna Straker
Cynthia Moore
Kate R. Garrison
Salim Virani

STAFF PRESENT

Shanette Eaden, Housing and Community Services Manager
Nopawn Austin, Housing and Community Services Coordinator, Senior
Yoko Mizuta, Sr. Administrative Assistant

The meeting was called to order by Chair Judy Drotman in Training Room A, 1520 K Avenue at 5:33 PM, Thursday, April 25, 2019. A quorum was present.

COMMENTS OF PUBLIC INTEREST

There were no public comments.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3

Chair Drotman gave an overview of the role of the Community Relations Commission and the grant hearing process.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3A

ONE PROGRAM SUPPORT APPLICATION PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF ASSISTANCE CENTER OF COLLIN COUNTY

One Program Support Application for \$25,000 from Assistance Center of Collin County. Yvonne Booker presented an overview of the program. The presenter used two minutes to address staff evaluations. The Commissioners asked questions of the applicant regarding the application details and program, and there was much discussion.

Commissioner Donna Straker arrived late at 5:45 PM.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3B

ONE PROGRAM SUPPORT APPLICATION PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF MY POSSIBILITIES

One Program Support Application for \$58,580 from My Possibilities. Susan Clark, Kelly Wanzer, April Allen, Ashley Hollings Worth, and Michael Thomas presented an overview of the program. The presenters used two minutes to address staff evaluations. The Commissioners asked questions of the applicant regarding the application details and program, and there was much discussion.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3C

ONE PROGRAM SUPPORT APPLICATION PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS OF THE DALLAS REGION, INC.

One Program Support Application for \$30,000 from Communities in Schools of the Dallas Region, Inc. Judith Allen and James Fisher presented an overview of the program. The presenters used two minutes to address staff evaluations. The Commissioners asked questions of the applicant regarding the application details and program, and there was much discussion.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3D

ONE PROGRAM SUPPORT APPLICATION PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF SCI-TECH DISCOVERY CENTER

One Program Support Application for \$18,632.74 from Sci-Tech Discovery Center. Peter Claffey presented an overview of the program. The presenter used two minutes to address staff evaluations. The Commissioners asked questions of the applicant regarding the application details and program, and there was much discussion.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3E

ONE PROGRAM SUPPORT APPLICATION PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF GREATER DALLAS

One Program Support Application for \$100,000 from Community Council of Greater Dallas. Samanda Gronstal presented an overview of the program. The presenter used two minutes to address staff evaluations. The Commissioners asked questions of the applicant regarding the application details and program, and there was much discussion.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3F

ONE PROGRAM SUPPORT APPLICATION PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF VETERANS CENTER OF NORTH TEXAS

One Program Support Application for \$10,000 from Veterans Center of North Texas. Chuck Kelley and Paul Hendricks presented an overview of the program. The presenters used two minutes to address staff evaluations. The Commissioners asked questions of the applicant regarding the application details and program, and there was much discussion.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 3G
ONE PROGRAM SUPPORT APPLICATION PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF CITY OF PLANO –
HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION PROGRAM**

One Program Support Application for \$122,000 from the City of Plano – Homelessness Prevention Program. Natalie Evans presented an overview of the program. The presenter declined using two minutes to address staff evaluations. The Commissioners asked questions of the applicant regarding the application details and program, and there was much discussion.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 4
ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

Vice Chair, Kimberly O’Neil suggested requiring applicants to submit two profit and loss statements; 1) for the fiscal year that most recently ended, and 2) for the period of January through one month before the application is due.

Vice Chair O’Neil made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Kate R. Garrison seconded the motion, which passed 8-0. Chair Drotman adjourned the meeting at 8:29 PM.

Community Relations Commissioner