

# CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

January 25, 1984

## MINUTES

### PRESENT

M. Schmidt, Chairman  
M. Moroni  
W. Pillarella  
J. Fraulino  
J. Marino  
B. Adams  
I. Howell  
S. Leinwand  
L. Abbot  
W. Oliver  
D. Kulmacz

### ALSO PRESENT

G. Mazzotta  
S. Beinhorn, Press  
A. Marino  
Capt. W. Booth  
E. Mooney  
M. Masselli  
C. Callegari  
M. Farbman  
J. Lowe  
W. Kuehn

### ABSENT

D. Davignon  
C. Giuliano  
J. Reynolds

The meeting was called to order by M. Schmidt, Chairman, at 5:02 p.m. in Room 208 of the Municipal Building. The meeting was opened for public comment.

### Request of Salvation Army

A. Marino, Chairman of the Advisory Board of the Salvation Army, introduced the presenters of a request for \$25,000 in funds to renovate the building at 515 Main Street as a Social Service Center for the WIC Program which is now in a temporary space and an Adult Day Care Program. W. Wasch, the Municipal Agent for the Elderly of the City, brought a historical perspective to the project by noting that Project Find and identify the need for an adult day care center. There is a State goal to allow elderly to remain in their own homes by providing day care support services. He said Connecticut has about twenty such centers around the State; however, none are in central Connecticut. Other funds available for this program include a \$50,000 grant from the Agency on the Aging and a \$20,000 grant from the National Salvation Army. The Salvation Army has program funds; however, they need a renovation grant. E. Mooney of the Salvation Army emphasized the findings of the 1980 Project Find report by stating that the elderly day care was a top unmet need. Capt. W. Booth cited the qualifications of the Salvation Army. He noted that they operate two adult day care centers in Massachusetts. In addition, they have a national consultant in New York as a backup resource to the project. A. Marino indicated that the building is handicapped accessible and there is parking to the rear. He estimated that the cost for renovation of the 1,200 square feet at \$25/square foot or a total of \$30,000. Additionally, he said the bathrooms must be renovated at \$3,000; offices renovated at \$3,000; and, eventually \$25,000 will be required for the kitchen. Initially CAGM will furnish meals. Other projected expenditures include a chapel relocation at \$20,000 and a multi-purpose room improvements at \$25,000.

I. Howell asked about funds for equipment. A. Marino indicated that \$3,000 from the Triple A Grant was for equipment. S. Leinwand asked if the funding is not available, can they still open on April 1st? A. Marino said yes; however, it would be with

certain deficiencies. He further noted that the average anticipated adults at the day care would be ten and the Salvation Army is now interviewing for a director.

#### Community Health Center/St. Vincent dePaul Request

M. Masselli asked if there were any questions concerning the request. He was advised that there is a new pool of HUD money specifically appropriated for emergency shelters.

There being no further comments, the public session was closed.

#### Minutes

Upon a motion by S. Leinwand, seconded by M. Moroni, the minutes of December 21, 1983 were unanimously approved.

#### Status Reports

G. Mazzotta distributed a overlay to the monthly financial status report which indicates that all funds from the 1979 Mixed Use Program, 1979 Residential Rehabilitation Program, 1982 Residential Rehabilitation Program, the 1982 Mixed Use Program, the Rehab Revolving Fund and the Mixed Use Rehab Fund are all committed.

M. Farbman introduced J. Lowe as the President of Equity in Housing. In response to a questions, he indicated that the next closing will be for a Liberty Street property which has been delayed because of paperwork problems. There was also some discussion on the tenant selection procedure. J. Lowe indicated that there is a waiting list of 65 to 70 persons for Equity in Housing units.

#### 634 Main Street

W. Pillarella said that the City has an obligation to do something with the property and he believes that the City should ask the Common Council to envoke its powers of eminent domain. S. Leinwand said that the owner needs incentives to make a decision and that the City has been more than patient. S. Leinwand moved, seconded by W. Pillarella, to request the Mayor to initiate the taking of 634 Main Street by eminent domain as authorized by the Common Council at a previous meeting. The motion was unanimously approved. B. Adams suggested that if the present developer negotiating for the building drops out and another developer shows up, that the new developer be given a deadline to negotiate an agreement.

#### Election of Officers

Upon a motion of S. Leinwand, seconded by B. Adams, the slate of M. Schmidt, Chairman, J. Marino, Vice Chairman and W. Kuehn, Secretary was nominated. Upon a motion by B. Adams, seconded by M. Moroni, the nominations were unanimously closed and the officers nominated were elected.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:54 p.m.