

**KENT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

*Thursday, May 12, 2005*

*Administration Building - Room 310*

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Meeting called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chair David J. Morren.

Present: Commissioners Agee, Boelema, Bulkowski, Hiddema, Horton, Klein, Koorndyk, Mast, Mayhue, Morgan, Postmus, Rolls, Tanis, Vander Molen, Vaughn, Vonk, Voorhees, Chair Morren – 18.

Absent: Wahlfield – 1 (Excused).

Invocation: Commissioner Agee introduced Dan Johnson who gave the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Millennium Park Fundraising – Peter Secchia

Ambassador Secchia reviewed the fundraising to date for Millennium Park, future projects for the park and the dollars needed to make them happen. Fundraising to date totals \$33.9 million and the estimated final cost is unknown. There are anonymous donors ready to commit, and so the County needs to make certain decisions soon to optimize the donor dollars.

2005 Financial Overview – Fiscal Services Director Bob White

Bob White, Fiscal Services Director, reviewed the 2005 Financial Overview (copy of which is on file in the Office of the County Clerk) for Kent County.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a) Approval of the Minutes of April 28, 2005 Meeting
- b) May 3, 2005 Finance Committee Meeting Minutes  
(Reports of Claims and Allowances)

Motion by Commissioner Agee, seconded by Commissioner Klein, to approve the consent agenda items.

Motion carried:

Yeas: Voorhees, Vonk, Vaughn, Vander Molen, Tanis, Rolls, Postmus, Morgan, Mayhue, Mast, Koorndyk, Klein, Horton, Hiddema, Bulkowski, Boelema, Agee, Chair Morren – 18.

Nays: 0.

## RESOLUTIONS

### 5-12-05-40 – APPROVE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT 5-YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN,

### ANNUAL ACTION PLAN, AND BUDGET AMENDMENT / BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, Kent County has qualified as an Urban County which, makes it eligible to receive funds from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for its 24<sup>th</sup> year as an entitlement community; and

WHEREAS, the five-year Consolidated Plan for July 1, 2005, through June 30, 2010, consists of a needs assessment, market analysis and related goals and objectives, and is a prerequisite of obtaining Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership (HOME), and American Dream Down payment Initiative (ADDI) funding from HUD; and

WHEREAS, the grant application, referred to as the Annual Action Plan, contains a description and budget for CDBG, HOME, and ADDI-funded activities proposed to be undertaken between July 1, 2005, and June 30, 2006, including CDBG projects requested by 32 local units of government as well as two projects requested by Kent County Departments:

1. Parks Department for improvements at Dwight Lydell Park (\$50,000); and
1. Sheriff's Department for improvements at its Honor Camp (\$10,000); and

WHEREAS, the application seeks \$2,521,869 in federal funds (CDBG \$1,742,055, HOME \$750,000, ADDI \$29,814) and recognizes an additional \$118,551 that will be provided by re-programming previous funds and \$115,000 anticipated as income from the CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners approve Community Development's request to submit a Housing and Community Development Strategic Plan (5-year Consolidated Plan) for July 1, 2005, through June 30, 2006; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners approve the Housing and Community Development Annual Action Plan for July 1, 2005, through June 30, 2006; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Board Chair to sign all documents related to each plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners hereby appropriate \$2,755,420 in estimated revenues to the 2005-06 Community Development Block Grant contingent upon award and execution of a contract.

Motion by Commissioner Boelema, seconded by Commissioner Mast, that the resolution be adopted.

Motion carried:

Yeas: Voorhees, Vonk, Vaughn, Vander Molen, Tanis, Rolls, Postmus, Morgan, Mayhue, Mast, Koorndyk, Klein, Horton, Hiddema, Bulkowski, Boelema, Agee, Chair Morren – 18.

Nays: 0.

## REPORTS

There were no reports.

## MISCELLANEOUS

### Celebrity Boxing

Commissioner Klein commented that the celebrity boxing charity event that she participated in was a successful and fun event.

### Strategic Planning Session

Chair Morren reminded Commissioners of the strategic planning session to follow this meeting.

## ADJOURNMENT

At 9:20 a.m., Commissioner Agee moved to adjourn, subject to the call of the Chair, and to Thursday, May 26, 2005, Room 310, County Administration Building, at 8:30 a.m., for an Official Meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Tanis. Motion carried.

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David J. Morren, Chair

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Mary Hollinrake, County Clerk