

**City of Marquette Special Council Meeting**  
**Marquette City Hall**  
**Monday October 24, 2022, at 6:00PM**

Mayor Weipert called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM with roll call and pledge of allegiance. In attendance: Cornell, Gilman, Hemmer, Melver, Schneider. Motion by Gilman, second by Cornell to approve the agenda. Mayor opened the public hearing for comments on the CDBG Neighborhood Revitalization Planning Grant. The following items were reviewed:

- (a) how the need for the proposed activities were identified: The need for the neighborhood revitalization planning grant comes from a variety of sources. Marquette is currently working on their comprehensive plan. Within the engagement of the comprehensive plan while reviewing data, and visiting with residents and stakeholders, a neighborhood revitalization program would certainly benefit the distressed areas of Marquette. Furthermore, Clayton County is almost completed with their Housing Assessment. Within the assessment, housing renovations, rental units and new homes are all listed as critical to Marquette's priorities.
- (b) how the proposed activities will be funded and the sources of funds: The proposed activity will be funded with \$21,250.00 of Community Development Block Grant Funds from the Neighborhood Revitalization Planning grant program and \$3,750.00 of funds from the City of Marquette, IA. The total project will be approximately \$25,000
- (c) the date the CDBG applications will be submitted: The Neighborhood Revitalization Planning applications will be submitted on or before November 1, 2022 to the Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA).
- (d) requested amount of federal: The requested amount is \$21,250.00 for the Neighborhood Revitalization Planning Program.
- (e) estimated portion of federal funds that will benefit of low and moderate income persons: The intent of the study is to target areas of distress. The federal funds will benefit those below HUD's 80% Low Income Limits for Marquette. It is expected that 100% of the federal funds will be used for low-to-moderate income households.
- (f) where the proposed activities will be conducted: The projects will be conducted within the City Limits of Marquette in the downtown neighborhood including North Street, Edgar Street terminating at Water Street to the East.
- (g) plans to minimize displacement of persons and businesses as a result of funded activities: No businesses or persons will be displaced during this process
- (h) plans to assist persons actually displaced, and there are no plans to displace any persons.
- (i) the nature of the proposed activities: The nature of the proposed activity is to complete a planning study analyzing targeted, distressed neighborhoods within Marquette. Then select a neighborhood with over three proposed components to the plan. It is Marquette's full intent to then apply for the Comprehensive Neighborhood Development activities the following year.

Council reviewed the Community Development and Needs Assessment. No public comments. Public Hearing closed. Motion by Schneider, second by Hemmer to approve the Community Development and Needs Assessment. Roll call vote; all ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Schneider, second by Hemmer to approve Resolution 2022-32 to support application to Neighborhood Revitalization Planning Grant. Roll call vote; all ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Melver, second by Cornell to approve RPF's for planning and administrative services pending receipt of the CDBG grant. Roll call vote; all ayes, motion carried.

Council reviewed and discussed the 2006 land use plan with Michelle Barness, UERPC, to provide information for updating the comprehensive plan. 2023 fireworks will be on Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup>. There was discussion on adding town activities to fill the time gap between the parade and fireworks show, and discussion on business sponsorships or community donations for the fireworks display.

Motion by Melver, second by Gilman to adjourn at 6:08PM. All ayes, motion carried. Roll call vote; all ayes, motion carried.

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Steve Weipert, Mayor

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Bonnie Basemann, City Clerk