



*Meeting Notice*

**Board of Commission Meeting**

**Thursday March 18, 2021**

**Virtual Meeting**

**5:30pm**

**If you are unable to attend this meeting, please call Abra Fortson @ 414-906-2720.**

\*NOTICE is hereby given that the Commission may convene in closed session to consider item (s) above pursuant to Section 19.85 (1) (b),(c), (e), (f), and (g) Wisconsin statutes, and may reconvene in open session to take action on items discussed.

***SDC Board of Commission Meeting***  
***March 18, 2021***  
***Virtual – 1730 W. North Avenue***  
***Milwaukee, WI 53206***

**AGENDA**

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| 1. Call to Order  | Chair, Elmer Moore Jr. |
| 2. Roll Call  |                        |
| 3. Compliance with the Open Meetings Law                |                        |
| 4. Public Comments                                      | Information            |
| 5. Adoption of the March 18, 2021 Notice & Agenda       | Action                 |
| 6. Adoption of the March 18, 2021 <b>Consent Agenda</b> | Action                 |

*(Note: Board members may request the removal of items from the consent agenda; the item will then be placed on the regular agenda for discussion and action by the Board of Commission.)*

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| 7. Adoption of the Board of Commission February 18, 2021 meeting minutes    | Action             |
| 8. Chairperson's report – <i>SDC Board Chairman</i> , Elmer Moore Jr.       | Information/Action |
| 9. CEO Report – <i>SDC Chief Executive Officer</i> , George P. Hinton       | Information/Action |
| 10. Financial Report – <i>SDC Director of Finance</i> , Patrick Kirslenlohr |                    |
| 11. SD Foundation Update: <i>SD Foundation Chairman</i> , Al Smith          | Information        |
| 12. SD Properties Update – <i>SD Properties Chair</i> , Ossie Kendrix       | Information        |
| 13. Committee Reports:  | Action             |

A. Program Planning & Public Policy:

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March 2021 Briefing Paper Review:

- BP2540
- BP2541
- BP2542
- BP2543
- BP2547

Information Only:

- None

Information

SD Foundation Briefing Papers March 2021:

- BP2544

SD Foundation Information Only:

- BP2545
- BP2546

14. Legal Counsel Report \*

Action

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15. **Old Business**

Information

16. **New Business**

Information

17. **Announcements**

Information

18. **Adjournment**

Action



Social Development Commission

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**Meeting minutes**

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**Call to order by Board Chair, Elmer Moore Jr.**

**Roll Call:** A quorum was confirmed by Executive Support Manager, Abra Fortson

**Members Present:**

- Elmer Moore Jr.
- Nikki Purvis
- Terese Caro
- Donna Brown-Martin
- Matthew Boswell
- Glenn Carson
- Pardeep Kaleka
- Carlisa Harris
- Barbara Toles
- Bennett Rucka
- John Jacobs

**Excused:**

- Dr. Valencia Brown
- Dr. Chia Youyee Vang
- Craig Sanders
- Rosa Villa-Menes
- Ossie Kendrix
- Daniel Gomez
- Rosemary Holley - TARP

**Absent:**

- None



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**Compliance with Open Meetings Law:** Confirmed

**Public Comments/ Announcements:**

- Chair Moore Jr. acknowledged Black History Month. He also noted that SDC is the largest Human Service Agency in Milwaukee County and is led by Mr. Hinton.
- Vice Chair Purvis announced that she had been promoted to the Equity & Inclusion Officer. The first ever and is excited that the City of Milwaukee is committed to the work.
- Matthew Boswell thanked Mr. Hinton and his staff. Specifically, VITA. He noted that his own family members used the resource and speaks very highly to the vital importance of the program.

**Adoption of the February 18, 2021 Meeting Agenda**

- Motion to adopt agenda by Nikki Purvis
- 2<sup>nd</sup> by Terese Caro
- The motion carried

**Adoption of the February 18, 2021 Consent Agenda \***

- Motion to adopt by Donna Brown-Martin
- 2<sup>nd</sup> by Matthew Boswell
- The motion carried

**Adoption of the January 21, 2021 Meeting Minutes with noted corrections:**

- Motion to approve by Donna Brown -Martin
- 2<sup>nd</sup> by Matthew Boswell
- The motion carried

**SDC Chairperson's Report:**

Board Chairman Elmer Moore Jr. said that he was happy to see everyone and that there wasn't a report.



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**CEO Report:**

- Mr. Hinton shared a news report about the SDC VITA Program which included a customer testimonial from Doreen Jewel & Larry Cousins.
- Journal Sentinel recognized Mr. Hinton as a prominent Black figure that has impacted Milwaukee.
- SDC has officially had all windows installed. The outer worksite has been cleared and all snow has been removed. Mr. Hinton noted that some close out still needed to occur but that he was excited about the completion of the project.
- Service have begun at the 76<sup>th</sup> Street SDC Location. The food pantry is close to operational.
- SDC will be administering the City of Milwaukee Rental Assistance Program. Many inquiries are coming in. SDC is still closing out the 2020 Program and is not currently taking any new applications until we have established guidelines for the 2021 program.

Commissioner Barbara Toles asked if at some point are there plans for an open house. Mr. Hinton replied yes, in April or May 2021.

Commissioner Caro asked if Rental Assistance will pick up where it left off or will customers need to reapply. Mr. Hinton responded that the goal is to pick up where SDC left off, but it may mean that those people may need to re-apply due to changed criteria.

- SDC is being approached about handling resources related to the impact of Covid-19 on the Milwaukee County community.

Commissioner Boswell asked what is SDC's plan for providing Covid-19 support surrounding the vaccination support.

Mr. Hinton reported that SDC had been contacted by Ascension Hospital System & other Intergovernmental partners to determine how to best be of assistance with the vaccination processes and to determine when SDC staff would be able to access the vaccine resource.



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Vice Chair Nikki Purvis suggested that SDC reach out to the City of Milwaukee and referenced Mayor Barrett's communication regarding vaccination opportunities with the City of Milwaukee Health Department.

**Financial Report**

SDC Director of Finance, Patrick Kirslenlohr reviewed Income and Balance Sheets through July 31st, 2020.

**SD Foundation Report:**

SD Foundation Development Committee Chair Stanley Brister was present:  
No Report

SDC Board Chair Elmer Moore Jr. reported that both SDC Commissioners, John Jacobs and Barbara Toles had accepted their respective assignment to

John Jacobs said that he looks forward to serving on the Foundation.

**SD Properties Report:**

SD Properties Board Report Given by Mr. Hinton

Milestone:

- 9155 N 76 Street space started occupancy in January.
- 1730 W. North exterior project to be completed in February.
- Replaced unit heater in 1810 W North.
- 1730 W North Servers have been up-graded.

Activities:

- Greg Burce is working on trying to get a signed deed, for 1721-23 W North Ave. but the Title Company found some encumbered liens on the property which we are trying to work through.



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- VITA tax services started for the 2021 tax season.

**Challenges:**

- Dealing with the coronavirus.
- Food Service conference room build out is scheduled to start 12/10/2020 for Chef John. City put a hold on this project we have a BOZA meeting scheduled for 3/4/21.
- Had a survey on the heat loss with the new window installation at 1730 W. North Ave.
- Mared Mechanical is calling for an additional 24 tons of HVAC to compensate for the new windows that were added.

**Legal Counsel:**

SDC Legal Counsel, Attorney James Hall reported the following:

- No Report

**Committee Reports:**

- *All Committee reports were approved under consent agenda*
- Governance: In lieu of a full Governance committee meeting which couldn't occur due to weather closure, Abra Fortson appealed to the full board for approval of the 2021 District 3 & 4 Election timeline as presented accommodate an April 8<sup>th</sup> election.

She noted that the District 3 Election would occur at SDC's Main Office 1730 W. North Avenue.

The District 4 Election would occur at Northcott Neighborhood House 2460 N 6th St, Milwaukee, WI 53212





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Commissioners expressed an interest in helping to get the word out to the community on the importance of community participation:

- Elmer Moore Jr.
- Terese Caro
- Carlisa Harris
- Barbara Toles

**A motion was made to accept the proposed timeline and election process by Donna Brown-Martin. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Matthew Boswell. The Motion Carried.**

**Old Business**

None.

**New Business**

See Financial report

**Motion to Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 6:47p



February 2021

**Briefing Papers for Action/Information**

BP	Funder	Services/Program	Due Date	Request	Refunding/ New/Continuation
<b>Action Items</b>					
BP2533	Treasury- IRS	Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)	May 30	\$115,000	Refunding
BP2534	AmeriCorps/Senior Corps	Senior Companion Program	March 10	\$333,760	Refunding
BP2535	AmeriCorps/Senior Corps	Foster Grand Parent Program	March 10	\$232,620	Refunding
BP2536	United Way- MPS	Community Partnership- Washington High School	N/A	\$69,600	Refunding
<b>Total</b>				<b>\$750,980.00</b>	
<b>Information Only</b>					
<b>Total</b>				<b>0</b>	

**Requests through the Social Development Foundation**

BP	Funder	Services/Program	Due Date	Request	Refunding/ New
<b>Action Items</b>					
BP2537	American Family Dreams Foundation	Career Services/Pre-apprenticeship Training	March 15	\$20,000	New
<b>Total</b>				<b>\$20,000.00</b>	
<b>Information Only</b>					
BP2538	Cousins Make it Better Foundation	Food Pantry	N/A	\$5,000	New
BP2539	Milwaukee Empty Bowls	Food Pantry	Feb 28	\$10,000	New
<b>Total</b>				<b>\$15,000.00</b>	

**2021 Status-to-Date**

Agent	Total # of requests	Total \$ requested	Total # awarded	Total amount awarded	New awarded	Total pending	Amount pending	Total denied	Amount denied
Agency-wide	16	\$3,798,437	1	\$69,600	\$0	14	\$3,728,737	0	\$0
SDF only	7	\$175,000	0	\$0	\$0	7	\$175,000	0	\$0

## **SDC PROPOSAL/GRANT BRIEFING PAPER**

**MONTH/YEAR PRESENTED TO BOARD FOR APPROVAL:** March 2021

**SDC SERVICES/PROGRAM:** SDC Northwest

**NAME OF PROJECT:** Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP)

**FUNDER:** Milwaukee County

**RELATIONSHIP HISTORY:** SDC was a long-time provider of Energy Assistance until 2014, serving over 47,000 clients annually.

**ADDRESS AND CONTACT:**

Dennis Buesing  
Department of Health and Human Services  
1220 W. Vliet St., Room 304  
Milwaukee, WI 53205

**APPLICANT:** Social Development Commission

**DUE DATE:** April 12, 2021

**AMOUNT REQUESTED:** \$500,000

**BUDGET INFORMATION:** SDC invested a significant amount of CSBG funds to operate the program efficiently in the past

**NEW/REFUNDING/CONTINUATION:** New

**FUNDING CYCLE:** October 1, 2021- September 31, 2022

**DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM, INCLUDING GOALS, OUTCOMES:** SDC will propose to provide services in the Northwest Zone which has the highest number of applications and the highest population. Three (3) of the nine (9) “high volume” (above 3500 applications / year) zip codes are in this zone. There are currently no application sites in this zone. In addition, the number of households in this zone at or below the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) is almost 22%. Considering the median household income, the percentage of food share categorically eligible residents, and the number of households at or below the federal poverty level, 3 of the zip codes have a “medium” or “high” level of outreach opportunity.

This area includes zip codes: 53224, 53223, 53225, 53218, 53222, 53216, 53210, 53226 and 53213. This area includes part of Milwaukee and Brown Deer.

**APPROVAL:** Moved by Craig Sanders and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Barbara Toles on March 10, 2021

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