



Boulder County CDBG-DR Collaborative Standing Meeting Minutes – March 9, 2018

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Dale Rademacher, City of Longmont Sandi Seader, City of Longmont

Others: Dave Bowman, DOLA; Carmen Ramirez, City of Longmont

Location: Longmont City Council Study Session Room

Agenda and Discussion Items:

- Changes to or Approve Minutes from December 8th Meeting
- Boulder County Resiliency Plan Report Out –BoCo Strong and Resilience Para Todos
- Round 2 B added funding – report on division between Boulder County and Longmont
- Round 3 Grant Award Status
- General Infrastructure & Housing Program Progress Updates and Status
 - Changes to the Cumulative Disbursement Tracking
 - Expenditure projections for current and upcoming projects
- Community Project Report Out
- Update on Housing Projects (Ponderosa and Lyons)
- Advocacy and Agitation - Concerns/Issues?

Started with Introductions

December 8, 2018 Standing Meeting Minutes Review

Motion to approve made by Sandi Seader, seconded by Dale Rademacher. All in favor, none opposed.

Boulder County Resiliency Plan Report Out – Carmen Ramirez

BoCo Strong has moved and is now operating under Foothills United Way. United Way is exploring the use of Cultural Brokers throughout their work, so it seemed to be a good fit. Many meetings were held in the various Boulder County towns, cities and neighborhoods to try to identify cultural brokers and

how to best provide notifications in times of emergency and resources to non-English speakers. Resiliencia Para Todos (Resiliency for All) was the name of the grant and Plan and was designed to take some of the BoCo Strong work into the Latino community to ensure there is access for all. Longmont completed the assessment and the report has been distributed - almost all four hundred copies are gone. The staff person for this project completed her contract at the end of February 2018. Thank you to Marta Loachamin for her great work.

The final phase was to present the findings from the assessment to the community and institutions. To date (3/9/18) they have completed 23 presentations and the combined total of attendance is over 600 people throughout Boulder County. They have 3 upcoming presentations. The project is being awarded a Boulder County Public Health-Community Award for its value and impact on the community. One additional outcome is that the Countywide Emergency Preparedness Plan is not available in Spanish.

Here is a link to the video and other materials and information that were completed as part of the grant.

<https://www.longmontcolorado.gov/departments/departments-a-d/community-and-neighborhood-resources/resiliency-for-all>

Round 2 B added funding – report on division between Boulder County and Longmont

No updates on this yet. Boulder County and Longmont are trying to schedule a meeting for later in March.

Round 3 Grant Award Status

Kyndra (using a Powperpoint – attached) reported on spending issues and where pain points are – we are behind \$2.3M in housing with another \$5.8M due to be reimbursed before 3/31/2019.

Category	Obligation 1 Due 12/2/2017	Reimbursed to Date as of 2/2018	Category of Concern
Admin	\$712,500	1,351,369	
Household Assistance	\$3,750,000	\$1,418,397	2,331,603
Infrastructure	\$20,000,000	\$20,949,757	

Part of urgency is that HUD moved from setting up and tracking funding/expenditures by obligations with specific and rigid spending deadlines to a cumulative expenditure process which allowed any expenditure to be counted against the current deadline regardless of when it was obligated and what expenditure deadline it had. Now it's possible they will be reversing their decision and going back to specific deadlines. We had been able to overspend infrastructure which offset the original housing expenditure deadline, but now it's possible that the housing funding not spent by 12/31/2017 (\$2.3M) could be in jeopardy. We need a commitment for Boulder County to submit clean, eligible project expenditures in the HAP programs to meet deadlines or risk losing that funding. It was suggested that we jointly figure out how to manage file documentation and uploads.

Category	1 st Obligation 12/2/2017	2 nd Obligation 9/20/2018	3 rd Obligation 3/31/2019	4 th Obligation 11/15/2019	Total
Admin Reimbursed to Date	\$712,500 \$712,500	\$500,000 \$500,000	139,432 138,869	\$819,177	\$2,171,109 \$1,351,369
Planning				\$200,000	\$200,000
Household Assistance Reimbursed to Date	\$3,750,000 \$1,418,397		\$5,853,969	\$6,422,615	\$16,026,584 \$1,418,397
Infrastructure Reimbursed to Date	\$20,000,000 \$20,000,000		\$15,460,437 \$949,757	\$20,683,298	\$56,143,735 \$20,949,757
Total Reimbursed to Date To be Reimbursed	\$24,462,500 \$22,130,897 \$2,331,603	\$500,000 \$500,000 \$0.00	\$21,453,838 \$1,088,626 \$20,364,212	\$28,125,090 0.00 \$28,125,090	\$74,541,428 \$23,719,523 \$50,821,905

Dave indicated he has a meeting with HUD on March 16 to discuss impacts of reverting back to specific deadlines after allowing cumulative expenditure counting, but thinks we will lose the fight. He reiterated how important projections are based on each program or project's obligation and expenditure deadlines and the need to stick to those projections. Also he needs to know what projects need time extensions with specific reasons – and inability to complete reimbursement requests isn't a reason for an extension. Also, Dave suggested as everyone moves through this projection/deadline process we have additional projects ready to move forward in case there are funds recaptured due to not meeting expenditure deadlines.

We don't have to have all funds contracted by June, 2018, especially those where extensions were granted. May have to do extension requests for each round which may mean multiple extension requests for one project if it was obligated across multiple rounds.

With our 2018 Amendment, the BCC will be contracting for all of our funding to date – about \$74M. When Longmont contracts for each Partner's projects, those projects will be assigned to an obligation with a specific deadline (6-18 months).

Community Project Report Out

Longmont – Completed St. Vrain flood control work from Sandstone Ranch to Main Street, starting on Main to Pratt reaches next. The CDBG-DR funding will be covering the work from the Railroad Bridge (past Pratt) to Boston. Looking at a fall bid. Good news – probably won't have to relocate any of the St. Vrain Mobile Home Park units.

Boulder County – Rehab work – just completed the very first case that was started! Home Access is moving forward, just taking awhile to move through individual bridge design and construction. Buyout only has revegetation left to complete. Infrastructure has been continuing to provide supporting documentation and updating the applications.

Louisville – No updates. Project completed working on close-out.

Boulder – Wonderland Creek opened the multi-use path, working on punch list items – should be completed by April. Planning is ongoing at Ponderosa, expect the Concept Plan in April and improvements still on track to be completed in 2019.

Lyons – Has over \$68 M in motion. I Buyout still needs demo and revegetation. Eastern Corridor is correcting BOD levels so can get permit for new lift station; PW Building is moving through design and working on acquiring easements for new trail. Elevations are being held up with no bids received, need to look at other options. McConnell Bridge has had the deck poured and on schedule for opening in May. Second Ave Bridge is under a re-design – FEMA denied the 30% design saying it needs a clear span to allow for 500 year flows – may be another 18 mos. There is an RFP out for a Housing project on 4 AC parcel and 8 attended the pre-bid and 4 submitted bids. Two are being sent to the Board for consideration. Should provide about 40 affordable homes. Also looking at mixed use/income at Eastern Corridor property, abd are getting an appraisal for possible acquisition of another site. Habitat has 4 of 6 units under construction.

Other Items

5 year anniversary of flood this year. Be thinking about ways to explain show progress and tell stories about the journey. BCC will add a link to the tracking worksheet to the BCC website. Think about projects to highlight and focus on, how leverged DR \$ with local another funding, etc.

Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting Date: April 13, 2018 – Location TBD