

CWC Meeting, June 11, 2025

Time: 6:04 PM – 7:14 PM

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 PM by Ms. Betty Jo Starke, CWC Chair.

2. Approval of Minutes (April 9th Meeting)

A motion to approve the previous meeting minutes was made by Wesley and seconded by Quincy. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Public Comments

No public comments were available.

4. Old Business

There was no old business for discussion.

5. New Business

Review of Public Service Application – END It Corp

- The Council reviewed the public service application submitted by END It Corp. The committee discussed the organization's mission, program services, and the structure of the packet, which was noted to be well-written and complete.
- There was no conflict of interest disclosed by any Council member. The council confirmed that the organization meets the CDBG eligibility requirements, with over 51% of program beneficiaries residing in Fort Pierce. Quincy inquired about how the program aligns with the mission, specifically regarding local youth participation. The council confirmed that over 50 children from Fort Pierce would benefit.
- Donnella recommended updating the scoring sheets to reflect the current date and to correctly identify the applicant as END It Corp. Quincy also inquired about program turnaround time, which was confirmed as approximately 30 days.
- Chair Betty Jo Starke collected scoring sheets from members. A motion to approve the application was made by Wesley and seconded by April. The motion passed unanimously, with all members voting in favor.

6. Staff and Council Member Comments

- The Council agreed the application was thorough and met the program's requirements.
- The Grants Manager announced that Co-Chair Denetria Timms had submitted her resignation. Chair Betty Jo Starke requested a volunteer for the vacant position. Wesley expressed interest in serving. The Council agreed to hold the vote until the next meeting to allow all members to be present.
- The City Clerk will update records to reflect Ms. Timms' resignation and the pending Co-Chair appointment.
- Donnella shared an update on the HUD Technical Training recently attended by the Grants Division in Jacksonville. The division will shift its focus toward larger-scale projects using CDBG funding.
- The Council discussed future project ideas, including expanding city park initiatives. Members were encouraged to begin identifying neighborhoods and locations that could benefit from funding. The Grants Manager will share updated Census Tract maps identifying target areas for discussion in upcoming meetings.
- It was noted that unincorporated areas fall under county jurisdiction and will not be eligible for city-managed CDBG funding.

7. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Wesley and seconded by Betty. The meeting adjourned at 7:14 PM.