

City of Topeka
CITIZEN ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, October, 02, 2024
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

In Person; and via Zoom

Citizen Advisory Council Vision Statement: “*A community of neighborhoods illuminating collaborative models to foster harmonious and balanced neighborhood communities.*”

Citizen Advisory Council Mission Statement: “*The Citizen Advisory Council is a community of neighborhoods organized to forge available resources to empower, rebuild, and revitalize areas within the city of Topeka.*”

AGENDA ITEM	SUMMARY	ACTIONS OR DECISIONS	PRESENTER/RESPONSIBLE
I. CALL TO ORDER, MINUTES & AGENDA	Susan McClacherty called the meeting to order at 6:00. September 2024 meeting minutes motion to approve. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Motion: Jim Edwards ▪ Second: LaBonna Speakman October 2024 meeting agenda motion to adopt. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Motion: LaBonna Speakman ▪ Second: Wayne Roberts 	September 2024 minutes approved. Requested to move item 4 (Consolidated Action Plan) up to item 3. April 2024 agenda adopted.	<i>Susan McClacherty</i> <i>Citizen Advisory Council Chair</i>
II. PRESENTATION	A. Topeka Land Bank Update. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Refer to CAC recording for details. B. Aging in Place and Home Maintenance Partnership Program. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Refer to CAC recording for details. 	NONE	<i>Rhiannon Friedman, Planning & Development Director</i> <i>Janice Watkins, Topeka Habitat Executive Director</i>
III. STAFF UPDATES	A. 105 desktop computers were distributed to LMI neighbors and another 138 will hopefully be distributed next week. B. CE By The Number will be emailed. C. October 16, 2024 DCF Resource and Job Fair.	NONE	<i>Monique Glaudé</i> <i>Division Director of Community Engagement</i>
IV. CAC UPDATES	NONE	NONE	<i>Susan McClacherty</i> <i>Citizen Advisory Council Chair</i>

V. DISCUSSION ITEMS	<p>A. 2025 Consolidated Action Plan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A comprehensive plan of how Housing Services will use HUD entitlement grant funding. ▪ Con Plant Grants. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CDBG Grant - \$1,801,396. • Home Grant – \$489,315. • HESG Grant - \$162,223. • Leveraging Other Funding. <p>B. Refer to CAC recording for further details.</p>	<p>NONE</p>	<p>Carrie Higgins <i>Division Director of Housing Services</i></p>
VI. ACTION ITEMS	<p>Request was made to extend the meeting for 15 minutes to discuss Allocation of Residual NIA Support Funds.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Motion: Yvonne May. ▪ Second: LaBonna Speakman. <p>A. Shared results of a vote for the Consolidation Action Plan.</p> <p>B. Bianca went over the breakdown of the money that needs to be used or allocated.</p> <p>C. Suggestion was made to figure out strategic goals that could be discussed in November.</p> <p>D. Needing ideas of services that the community needs that the NIA’s could help with.</p>	<p>Motion passed.</p>	<p>Susan McClacherty <i>Citizen Advisory Council Chair</i></p>
VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS	<p>A. Positive Connections November 14, 6pm-8pm at Stout Elementary School.</p> <p>B. LaBonna announced the she will have a representative from Jayhawk Area Agency on Aging to discuss the changes of the 2025 Medicare plan at her October 7th NIA meeting. Meeting will be held at Seaman Community Church.</p>	<p>NONE</p>	<p>Open to all CAC members & Guests</p>
VIII. ADJOURN	<p>Motion to adjourn:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Motion: LaBonna Speakman. ▪ Second: Wayne Roberts. <p>NEXT MEETING: November 6, 2024 - HOLLIDAY BUILDING CONFERENCE ROOM, FIRST FLOOR – 620 MADISON, 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.</p>	<p>Motion passes</p>	<p>Susan McClacherty <i>Citizen Advisory Council Chair</i></p>