MARCH 15, 2006 WAYNESBORO, PA 17268 PUBLIC HEARING RE: 2006 CDBG PROGRAM

Council Vice-President Craig Newcomer called the public hearing to order at 7:18 p.m. with the following in attendance:

Borough Council Members – Allen Porter, Jason Stains, Craig Newcomer, Allen Berry and Charles McCammon (Richard George was absent)

Mayor Richard Starliper

Borough Staff – Lloyd R. Hamberger, II, Borough Manager Denny Benshoff, Maintenance Superintendent Dan Sheffler, Zoning-Code Enforcement Officer Kevin Grubbs, Head of Engineering Services D. Lloyd Reichard, II, Borough Solicitor Ray Shultz, Police Chief

Others – Erik Genga (Mullin and Lonergan Associates, Inc.)

Mr. Newcomer stated that the purpose of the hearing was to receive comments and input on the proposed 2006 Community Development Block Grant Program for the Borough of Waynesboro. (This is the second hearing required by the CDBG program.) Council has selected the following items for the 2006 CDBG program:

1.	Street improvements in lower income areas	\$ 88,516
2.	Downtown revitalization including infrastructure and	
	building improvements	\$ 41,000
3.	Administration	\$ 30,000
4.	Public service, including fund for Homeless Shelter	<u>\$7,290</u>

TOTAL: \$166,806

The hearing was advertised in accordance with rules and regulations of the CDBG program. Mr. Erik Genga of Mullin and Lonergan Associates (the Borough's CDBG consultants) was present to explain the program and proposed projects, and answer any questions.

Mr. Genga briefly described the CDBG program, which is provided through the Department of Housing and Urban Development and administered by the PA Department of Community and Economic Development. He noted that the intent of the program is to assist communities in providing services based upon three (3) criteria designated. That criteria is: (1) eliminating slums and blight; (2) assisting low/moderate income individuals; and (3) in emergency cases (which are the least utilized).

The Borough of Waynesboro has traditionally utilized CDBG funds for slums and blight, as well as assisting low/moderate income individuals. The 2006 allocation is \$166,806, and Borough Council has proposed to utilize funds for the aforementioned activities.

Hearing no further comments, the hearing was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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