

# City of Joliet

150 West Jefferson Street  
Joliet, IL 60432



## Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, November 13, 2024

9:00 AM

City Hall, Council Chambers

## Diversity & Community Relations Committee

*Committee Members*

*Councilman Cesar Guerrero, Chairperson*

*Councilman Joe Clement*

*Councilwoman Suzanna Ibarra*

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Meeting went into Recess

## ROLL CALL

**Present** Councilman Joe Clement, Councilman Cesar Guerrero and Councilwoman Suzanna Ibarra

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilman Joe Clement, seconded by Councilwoman Suzanna Ibarra, to approve COUNCIL MEMO #[FILE\_NR]: [FILE\_TITLE]. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Councilman Clement, Councilman Guerrero and Councilwoman Ibarra

**Approval of Minutes for February, 2024 Committee Meeting** [TMP-7889](#)

Attachments: [MeetingMinutes Feb 2024.pdf](#)

**Approval of Minutes for June, 2024 Committee Meeting** [TMP-7890](#)

Attachments: [MeetingMinutes June 2024.pdf](#)

**Approval of Minutes for October, 2024 Committee Meeting** [TMP-7891](#)

Attachments: [MeetingMinutes October 2024.pdf](#)

## CITIZENS TO BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS

This section is for anyone wanting to speak regarding agenda items and are allowed a maximum of 4 minutes. It is not a question and answer period and staff, and the Committee members do not generally respond to public comments. The City Clerk has a copy of the public speaking procedures; please note, speakers who engage in conduct injurious to the harmony of the meeting shall be called to order by the Presiding Officer and may forfeit the opportunity to speak.

## AGENDA ITEM

**Memorandum of Understanding between Joliet Township and City of Joliet** [TMP-7888](#)

Attachments: [MOU Joliet Township and COJ- FINAL.docx](#)  
[Executed - Forest Park Community Center PY21 Agreement.pdf](#)

Jacqueline Lozada, of Neighborhood Services details the CDBG funds that were granted to Forest Park Community Center (FPCC) in 2021, for Facility Improvements to the Non Profit Agency so they could maintain public services to the community. As a recipient of the CDBG funds, FPCC was in Agreement to utilize their facility for a minimum of five (5) years after completion of the facility improvements. In July of 2024 Joliet Township purchased FPCC. The MOU between City of Joliet and Township is a HUD required Agreement to maintain usage to serve low/moderate income residents after the Township's acquisition. This MOU outlines the Township's intent to continue to meet the required original use of the property, as the regulations of CDBG funding requires.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Suzanna Ibarra, seconded by Councilman Joe Clement, to approve COUNCIL MEMO #TMP-7888: Memorandum of Understanding between Joliet Township and City of Joliet. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Councilman Clement, Councilman Guerrero and Councilwoman Ibarra

**CDBG Review: Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) PY2023**

[TMP-7887](#)

Attachments: [Drafted CAPER City of Joliet PY23.docx](#)  
[PY23 CAPER Presentation.pptx](#)

Jacqueline Lozada, of Neighborhood Services reviews the Community Development Block (CDBG) Program Year 2023 (PY23) accomplishments and financial summary. This Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) is an annual HUD requirement. This report details the specific dollars allocated in PY23 - totalling over \$899,000, the number of Residents served - totalling over 39,000, and the total amount of funds spent - and reimbursed - by HUD including ongoing projects from previous years and reprogrammed funds at risk of being recaptured. In total, over 2.2 million CDBG dollars went into the City this PY23. This review also includes the timeline for the submission of the CAPER to HUD in early December.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Suzanna Ibarra, seconded by Councilman Joe Clement, to approve COUNCIL MEMO #TMP-7887: CDBG Review: Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) PY2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Councilman Clement, Councilman Guerrero and Councilwoman Ibarra

**NEW OR OLD BUSINESS, NOT FOR FINAL ACTION OR RECOMMENDATION**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

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## ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilwoman Suzanna Ibarra, seconded by Councilman Joe Clement, to approve COUNCIL MEMO #[FILE\_NR]: [FILE\_TITLE]. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Councilman Clement, Councilman Guerrero and  
Councilwoman Ibarra

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