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Mayor's Report

Mayor David Merchant briefly commented, reviewed and updated the following items: COVID-19 Update; DEMHS Region 5 Update; Mayor Merchant stated he wanted to publicly thank Emergency Management Director Anthony Orsini for always being first in line to pick up Personal Protection Equipment for the Town of Plymouth; Governor and State Teleconference Meetings; PPE Equipment Update; Police, Fire and EMS Update; Community/Social Distancing Update; Boards and Commissions Zoom Meetings; Budget Public Hearing Meeting; and Lassy Court Business Contract, Town's Health Insurance Company donation of \$25,000 to the Plymouth Food Pantry; stated DCF Commissioner Vanessa Dorantes' twin daughters, Macy and Mia, requested, collected and donated over 600 pounds of food to the Plymouth Food Pantry; Mayor Merchant stated he also wanted to thank Town resident/Plymouth Food Pantry Outreach Volunteer Tom Doyle for going above and beyond as a volunteer for the Plymouth Food Pantry

Finance Director's Report

Mayor David Merchant stated the Town Council had received the Director of Finance's Town of Plymouth General Fund Revenue/Expenditures Summary Report.

When questioned by Town Councilman Dan Gentile, Mayor David Merchant stated all COVID-19 Expenses were in the process of being looked at by him and the Director of Finance for reimbursement.

Noting May 18th would be the joint Budget meeting of the Board of Finance, the Town Council and the Board of Education, Mayor David Merchant requested the Town Council members prepare their questions ahead of time so that he, the Director of Finance and the Board of Finance Chairman could address them to ensure a smooth meeting.

When questioned by Town Councilman Tom Zagurski, Director of Finance Ann Marie Rheault stated after the Board of Finance makes all their changes to the Budget on May 11th, she will have hard copies ready for the Town Council members on May 12th.

Town Attorney William Hamzy commented on the Governor's Executive Order as to how communities can approve their budget.

Discuss and take action, as may be necessary, to refund overpayment of Property Taxes to the following: Architectural Design LLC \$930.56; Bilal Mutraji \$1,810.27; Toyota Lease Trust \$438.81; Connecticut Water Company \$7,685.16

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Refund of Overpayment of Property Taxes Cont'd.

Town Councilman Joe Green made a motion, seconded by Town Councilwoman Sue Murawski, to refund overpayment of Property Taxes to the following: Architectural Design LLC \$930.56; Bilal Mutraji \$1,810.27; Toyota Lease Trust \$438.81; and Connecticut Water Company \$7,685.16. This motion was approved unanimously.

Discuss and take action on the Resolution for the Application to the State of CT Department of Housing for the HUD Small Cities Community Development Block Grant

Mayor David Merchant read the Resolution for the Application to the State of CT Department of Housing for the HUD Small Cities Community Development Block Grant into the record as follows: Town of Plymouth Resolution for the Reuse of Past Program Income (May 5, 2020) Whereas, the Town of Plymouth has received funds under the Connecticut Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, administered by the State of Connecticut, Department of Housing (DOH), pursuant to Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended; and Whereas, the Town of Plymouth has expended those funds pursuant to Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, the Code of Federal Regulations, and the Assistance Agreement; and, Whereas, those funds received by the Town of Plymouth have generated Program Income. NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Plymouth:

1. That it is cognizant of the conditions for the use of Program Income as prescribed by Title 24, Part 570, Section 489(e) and (f) of the Code of Federal Regulations; and
2. Town of Plymouth affords all persons the right to full and equal housing opportunities in the neighborhood of their choice; and requires that all individuals, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, be given equal access to all housing-related opportunities, including rental and homeownership opportunities, and be allowed to make free choices regarding housing location; and requires that all individuals, regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, marital status, age, lawful source of income, familial status, learning disability, physical or mental disability, sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression be given equal access to all housing-related opportunities, including rental and home ownership opportunities, and be allowed to make free choices regarding housing location; and
3. That it realizes Program Income is governed by Title I of the 1974 Housing & Community Development Act.
4. That it may Reuse Program Income only for the following activities: removal of architectural barriers and housing rehabilitation activity if the activity continues to meet the requirements of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974.

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5. Any additional activity that meets the requirements of Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act if the Town receives DOH's written approval to fund it with Program Income.
6. That it may use Program Income to fund Administrative and Program soft costs within the following limits: Administrative Costs of 8% and Total Administrative and Program Soft Costs of 20%.
7. That it is hereby amending the Program Income Plan(s) that was adopted for the original activity that generated the Program Income to permit the funding of additional activities from that Past Program Income. The Reuse of Past Program Income activities are for: (A.) an allocation of \$100,000 for the removal of architectural barriers for the ADA Bump Out Renovations proposal at the Housing Authority of the Town of Plymouth property at 43 Ronald Rd. – Gosinski Park Unit 31, Terryville, CT 06786.; and (B.) \$340,000 for Housing Rehabilitation for low and moderate persons that will be allocated into a Revolving Loan Account per federal rules and regulations.

This Reuse Resolution reaffirms the Mayor is authorized to process and sign all CT. DOH HUD Small Cities CDBG Grant Application materials and forms in conformance with federal rules and regulations for the Gosinski Park ADA Bump Out removal of architectural barriers proposal as previously presented and approved at March 3, 2020 Town Council Public Hearing and Meeting. Certified a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Town of Plymouth at a meeting of its Town Council on May 5, 2020 and which has not been rescinded or modified in any way whatsoever.

Mayor David Merchant stated this was the Resolution and that after a motion was made and seconded the Resolution would then be read in Spanish and then open for discussion.

Town Councilwoman Sue Murawski made a motion, seconded by Town Councilman Joe Green, to adopt the Resolution for the reuse of program income for the Application to the State of CT Department of Housing for the HUD Small Cities Community Development Block Grant as read into the record by the Mayor.

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(Ciudad de Plymouth

Resolución para el USO de los ingresos Del programa

5 de Mayo de 2020

Considerando que, la ciudad de Plymouth ha recibido fondos bajo el Programa de Subsidio de Desarrollo Comunitario de Pequeñas Ciudades de Connecticut (CDBG), administrado por el Departamento de Vivienda (DOH) del Estado de Connecticut, de conformidad con el Título I de la Ley de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario de 1974 según enmendado; y Considerando que, la ciudad de Plymouth ha extendido esos fondos de conformidad con el Título I de la Ley de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario de 1974, el código de Regulaciones Federales y el Acuerdo de Asistencia; y Considerando que, los fondos recibidos por la ciudad de Plymouth han generado ingresos del programa.

AHORA POR LO TANTO, RESÚLTELO POR EL Alcalde y el Ayuntamiento de la ciudad de Plymouth.

- 1. Que conoce las condiciones para el uso de los Ingresos del Programa según lo prescrito en el Título 24, Parte 570, Sección 489 (e) y (f) del Código de Regulaciones Federales.**
- 2. La ciudad de Plymouth ofrece a todas las personas el derecho a oportunidades de vivienda completas e iguales en el vecindario de su elección; y requiere que todas las personas, independientemente de su raza, color, religión, sexo, discapacidad, estado familiar u origen nacional, tengan acceso personal a todas las oportunidades relacionadas con la vivienda, incluidas las oportunidades de alquiler y propiedad de la vivienda, y se les permita tomar decisiones libres con respecto a la separación. ubicación; y requiere que todas las personas, independientemente de su raza, credo, color, origen nacional, ascendencia, sexo, estado civil, edad, fuente legal de ingresos, estado familiar, discapacidad de aprendizaje, orientación sexual o identidad o expresión de género tengan el mismo acceso a todas las oportunidades relacionadas con la vivienda, incluidas las oportunidades de alquiler y propiedad de la vivienda, y se les permitirá tomar decisiones libres con respecto a la ubicación de la vivienda; y**
- 3. Que se dé cuenta de que los ingresos del programa se rigen por el Título I de la Ley de vivienda y desarrollo comunitario de 1974.**
- 4. Que puede usar Ingresos del programa solo para las siguientes actividades Eliminación de barreras arquitectónicas y cualquier actividad que genere los ingresos del programa si la actividad continúa cumpliendo con los requisitos del Título I de la Ley de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario de 1974.**

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5. **Cualquier actividad adicional que cumpla con los requisitos del Título I de la Ley de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario si la Ciudad recibió la aprobación por escrito del DOH para financiarla con Ingresos del Programa.**
6. **Que puede usar el Programa Invome para financiar los costos administrativos del Programa dentro de los siguientes límites; Costos administrativos del 8% y costos administrativos totales y programados del 20%.**
7. **Que se modifica el Plan (es) de Ingresos del Programa que se adoptó para la actividad original que generó los Ingresos del Programa para permitir la financiación de actividades adicionales de los Ingresos del Programa Pasados. Las actividades de Reutilización de Ingresos Pasados del Programa son para; (A) una asignación de \$ 100,000 para la eliminación de barreras arquitectónicas para la propuesta ADA Bump Out Renovations en la Autoridad de Vivienda de la propiedad de la ciudad de Plymouth en 43 Ronald Rd.- Gosinski Park Unit 31, Terryville, CT 06786; y (B) \$ 340,000 para la rehabilitación de viviendas para personas bajas y moderadas que se asignarán a una Cuenta de Préstamo Rotativo de acuerdo con las normas y regulaciones federales.**
8. **Esta resolución de reutilización reafirma que el alcalde está autorizado para procesar y suspirar todos los materiales y formularios de solicitud de subvención CDBG de CT DOH HUD Small Cities de conformidad con las normas y regulaciones federales para la propuesta de eliminación de barreras arquitectónicas ADA de Gosinski Park ADA Bump Out como se presentó previamente como se presentó previamente y aprobado el 3 de marzo de 2020 Audiencia pública y reunión del Ayuntamiento.**

Certificó una copia verdadera de una Resolución adoptada por la Ciudad de Plymouth en una reunión de su Concejo Municipal el 5 de mayo de 2020 y que no ha sido rescindida ni modificada de ninguna manera.

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Discuss and take action on the Resolution for the Application to the State of CT Department of Housing for the HUD Small Cities Community Development Block Grant/Spanish Translation Cont'd.

Discussion: It was noted for the record there was no Town Council comment/discussion for the Resolution vote.

Vote: This motion was approved unanimously.

Other Business

No report

Town Council Liaison Reports

Town Councilman Tom Zagurski stated he had nothing to report on at this time.

Town Councilman John Pajeski stated he had nothing to report on at this time.

Town Councilwoman Sue Murawski stated she had nothing to report on at this time.

Town Councilman Dan Gentile stated he had nothing to report on at this time.

Town Councilman Joe Green stated he had nothing to report on at this time.

Town Council Comments

Town Councilwoman Sue Murawski stated she had no Council comments at this time.

Town Councilman Tom Zagurski stated he had no Council comments at this time.

Town Councilman John Pajeski stated he had no Council comments at this time.

Town Councilman Dan Gentile stated he wanted to publicly thank Masks for Heroes, noting they had donated over 1000 masks, which he was able to give to Tony Orsini, Emergency Management Director, for distribution throughout the Town. Town Councilman Dan Gentile stated he also wanted to publicly thank Amy and Bob Stefanowski for funding the masks and Bill Evans, Volunteer/Assistant Campaign Manager for David Sullivan, for his assistance for making it happen, as well.

Town Councilman Joe Green stated he had no Council comments at this time.

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Adjournment

There being no further business of the Plymouth Town Council, Town Councilman Dan Gentile made a motion, seconded by Town Councilwoman Sue Murawski, to adjourn at 7:28 p.m. This motion was approved unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Patricia A. Hale
Recording Secretary