

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD BOROUGH  
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 21, 2023, 6:45 P.M.  
SPECIAL HEARING – 2022 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Anesh called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. Mayor Anesh read the sunshine statement and announced that same is being held pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act of 1974 and all provisions of that Act have been met with adequate notice of this meeting having been provided to the Borough’s official newspapers and also published on the Borough’s website. Instructions for accessing the remote public meeting are found on the Borough’s website next to the agendas.

The roll call was administered by Amy Antonides as follows:

COUNCIL	Present	Absent	Late
Councilman Bengivenga	X		
Councilwoman Mott	X		
Councilman Smith	X		
Councilman White	X		
Councilman Wolak		X	
Council President Faustini	X		
Mayor Anesh	X		
<b>ALSO PRESENT</b>			
Administrator Cullen	X		
Clerk Antonides	X		
Attorney Paul Rizzo	X		
Engineer Miller		X	

**SPECIAL HEARING – 2023 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS**

Mayor Anesh turned the floor over to Councilwoman Faustini who advised that the Housing and Community Development Committee met on January 18, 2023 and at length discussed various possibilities of projects to apply this year’s grant funding towards. There is an anticipated allocation of \$80,042.00 in grant funding pending for South Plainfield for 2023, which is the same as last year. The use of this grant funding can only be used for certain types of projects. As such, for 2023 the Housing and Community Development Committee has recommended the following proposed project(s) for consideration:

Senior Center Salary	\$12,500
Website Accessible Update	\$18,000
Accessible Ramps	\$49,542
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$80,042</b>

Mayor Anesh thanked Council President Faustini and asked the Council if they have any questions or comments. Councilwoman Faustini said she is very happy the money will be used for this purpose and is grateful to the CDBG Committee for their recommendation. With no further comments from the Council at this time, Mayor Anesh then thanked Councilwoman Faustini for the committee’s input.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Mayor Anesh opened the floor for public comments. Though there were approximately 4 members of the public present in-person with no one present virtually. With no comments from the public, Mayor Anesh closed the floor.

Mayor Anesh advised that a resolution will be on the regularly scheduled Council meeting agenda this evening for further consideration of the CDBG projects for 2023 as recommended by the CDBG Committee.

**ADJOURN SPECIAL CDBG MEETING:** With no further comments, Mayor Anesh asked for a motion to adjourn from the CDBG special hearing. Councilman White made a motion to adjourn from the meeting at 6:51 p.m., seconded by Councilman Bengivenga and unanimously carried by an all-in favor.

Mayor Anesh advised that our regularly scheduled Council meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. this evening.

Respectfully Submitted By:

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Amy Antonides, RMC/CMC/CMR