

**PLANNING and ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES
OCTOBER 11, 2011**

The Planning and Administration Committee met on Tuesday, October 11, 2011 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building beginning at 1:06 p.m. Mr. Jeffcoat, Committee Chairman, presided.

Members Attending:

Johnny W. Jeffcoat, Chairman
K. Brad Matthews

George H. Davis, V Chairman
James E. Kinard, Jr.

Absent:

*William B. Banning, Sr.

*Mr. Banning was not present due to a meeting with SCDOT.

Also attending: Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator; Joe Mergo, III, Deputy County Administrator; Larry Porth, Finance Director/Assistant County Administrator; Jeff Anderson, County Attorney; other staff members, citizens of the county and representatives of the media.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and TV stations, newspapers, and posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County Administration Building.

CDBG and HOME Programs FY 2010-11 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (Goal 2) - Community Development - Rhonda Dean, Community Development Administrator - Ms. Dean presented the CDBG and HOME Programs FY 2010-11 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation report for Program Year 2010, July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011. Staff provided a list of accomplishments and highlights of both programs. Ms. Dean reported that approximately 11,000 residents benefited from the CDBG Program and 43 homeowners benefited through the HOME Program. The CDBG Program expended \$1,964,351.62 and the HOME Program expended \$488,802.07. The Committee asked about base criteria for funds expended. Ms. Dean replied there is a criterion for participants such as they cannot exceed the median income of 80 percent. The Committee asked if the improvement projects were listed by Council Districts. Ms. Dean replied this can be provided to Council by district. Mr. Keisler asked about the Homeownership Assistance Program listed under the HOME Program. Ms. Dean said this was for individuals who do not exceed 80 percent of the median income for Lexington County, for example, a household of two cannot exceed approximately \$40,000 in order to benefit from the \$5,000 down payment assistance based on HUD guidelines. Ms. Dean reported that those who have been approved for the down payment assistance through the County have not lost their homes to foreclosure. The full report is available upon request and is on the County's website. For information only, no action taken.

Meeting of September 13, 2011 - Approval of Minutes - A motion was made by Mr. Matthews, seconded by Mr. Kinard to approve the September 13, 2011 minutes as submitted.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Ms. Hubbard reported staff would follow up on CDBG projects by districts and distribute to Council.

Old Business/New Business - None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee
Assistant to the Clerk

Johnny W. Jeffcoat
Chairman

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk