

CITY OF CALHOUN/GORDON COUNTY  
 BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM  
 PUBLIC HEARING  
 JUNE 17, 1985

June 17, 1985 - 6:30 P.M. The Calhoun City Council and the Gordon County Commissioners held a joint block grant application hearing at the City Courtroom on Piedmont Street with twenty-two in attendance.

Mayor W.C. Burdette welcomed those in attendance and opened the meeting with prayer.

Mayor Burdette stated the City and County applied and received a joint grant for \$380,500.00 two years ago, and over 100 families in the Morningside Addition a/k/a Fox Subdivision are now connected to the City's sanitary sewer system. Mayor Burdette stated the grant met such a need of the community, the City and County had decided to apply for Phase II of the area for a similar project.

John Sweitzer, Engineer restated the City's and County's intention to apply for Phase II, and the purpose of the hearing was to gain citizen's input regarding this or any other project.

Mr. Sweitzer stated the grant for the public facilities project would benefit low and moderate income persons, would benefit an area which presently threatens the health of the community.

He stated an extension of the previous project will benefit approximately 150 homes. An 8" sewer line will be installed with 4" laterals to the houses. There would not be any taps due from the residents, they would only be obligated to pay a monthly sewer charge. The area to be served would be off East May Street and would include Jeep Street, Circle Drive, Linda Lane, Hazel Drive, Georgia Drive and part of Joan and Erwin Street. The estimated cost for the project will be \$628,000.00, with the grant application being for \$400,000.00.

Mr. Harold Stamey of Linda Lane asked what the current size of the water lines were and what water improvements will be made. City Superintendent Hobgood stated the City currently has 1" and 2" lines in the area and these will be replaced by 6" lines and the County will install fire hydrants on the lines. Mr. Hobgood stated these improvements had been made in Phase I of the area with the full cost being borne by the City and County.

Mr. Stamey stated conditions were so bad in some of the lower areas of Phase II there was a possibility of condemnations. He stated the sanitary sewer extensions were desperately needed.

Mr. Sweitzer stated the current grant application will require local funding of \$10,000.00 if the project is approved.

Commission Chairman Harold Faith stated the City and County had filed separately and jointly several times before being funded. He stated the grant was such a needed boost to the area, that the Commission was very hopeful for continued funding in order to continue with Phase II.

Mr. Sweitzer stated the map of the project area would be at the front of the Courtroom for review by the public.

There were no further comments, and the hearing was closed.

Respectfully submitted:



(Mrs.) Cathy Harrison,  
 City Clerk - Treasurer

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