



PUBLIC SERVICE GRANT (PSG) COUNCIL
Meetings Minutes
Ed Ball Building, 8th Floor, Board Room
June 9, 2025 (2:00 – 5:00 p.m.)

PSG Council Member Attendance			
E	Dr. Joy Hervey, Chair	E	Dr. Mai Keisling
P	Pablo Diaz de Sandi, Vice Chair	E	Linda King
P	Shamika Baker Wright	E	Taylor Mejia Roberts
P	Nicole Hamm	P	Susan Ticker
P	Latrice Carmichael	P	Yildirim “Alex” Sivar
P	James Croft	P	Leofric Thomas, Jr ⁽¹⁾
P	Dr. Thomas Geismar	P	Andrew Williams, Jr.
P	Daniel Henry		

(1) Arrived after the agenda was approved.

P = Present V = Present (Virtual) E = Excused A = Absent

Quorum Present: Yes

Staff Present: (GCCD Staff) Maribel Hernandez, Nicoa Garrett, Rohan Brosche, Robin Carter-Tanks, Ashleigh Brew, Nancy Rivera, John Snyder (V)
(OGC) Ashley Smith

I. Call To Order & Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 2:01 p.m. by Vice Chair Diaz de Sandi and introductions were made. A quorum was established.

II. Public Comment: None

III. Approval of Agenda

Upon motion by Shamika Baker Wright, seconded by Alex Sivar, the agenda was approved as presented.

IV. Approval of Minutes from the meeting held on May 12, 2025

Upon motion by Shamika Baker Wright, seconded by Alex Sivar, the minutes of the May 12, 2025, meeting were unanimously approved as written.



V. Committee Reports

- A. **Budget Committee:** Chair Diaz de Sandi presented the proposed PSGC 2025/26 budget to the Mayor's Budget Review Committee (MBRC) on May 27, 2025. Chief Hernandez accompanied.
- B. **Rules Committee:** Chair Henry reported the committee will be meeting on July 9, 2025, to discuss the Bylaws, specifically Article II and other sections that still need to be addressed.
- C. **Most Vulnerable Person (MVP) Committee:** Chair Sivar reported that Chair Hervey and Chief Hernandez met with CM Freeman on May 13, 2025, regarding the Micro-Grant Program. CM Freeman had some recommendations which will be considered by the MVP Committee at its next meeting (date TBD). The funding has not yet been secured. Chief Hernandez advised that a dedicated resource will be needed to implement the program.
- D. **Outreach Ad Hoc Committee:** There was discussion about making the committee permanent. PSG Vice Chair Diaz de Sandi asked for this item to be deferred to the next meeting.

VI. Old Business: None

VII. New Business

- A. **Budget Amendments:** Ashleigh Brew advised that there were two budget amendments for consideration:
 - 1. **Jewish Family Community Services** requested to be heard regarding a budget amendment for the Emergency Assistance Program. Nelson Gibson, CFO, was recognized and explained why amendments were needed. Upon motion by Thomas Geismar, seconded by Susan Ticker, the budget amendments were approved as requested.
 - 2. **Family Support Services** requested to be heard regarding a budget amendment for the Bridge to Work Program. Octavius Davis, Director was recognized and explained why amendments were needed. Upon motion by Thomas Geismar, seconded by Shamika Baker Wright, the budget amendments were approved as requested.

VIII. Announcements/Information Sharing

A. Chief Updates:

- 1. **PSG 2025-2026 Grant Cycle:** Chief Hernandez reported the grant application portal opened on May 26 and closes on July 1. Minor issues are being resolved in the Grant Management System as the GCCD is made aware. PSG Council members may conduct site visits until June 30th.
- 2. **PSG Annual Report:** The report is due to the City Council by June 30th. The PSG Chair is currently reviewing for submittal. Chief Hernandez advised that a grantee survey will be published later this week, and results will be reported at the July meeting.
- 3. **PSG Budget Presentation:** This item was covered under the Budget Committee report.



- B. Conflict of Interest Forms:** Dr. Garrett advised members that all 2025 Conflict of Interest forms have been submitted for review. Chief Hernandez advised that scorers will be randomly assigned after applications are closed. Any conflicts will be adjusted accordingly.

IX. PSG Scoring Exercise

Chief Hernandez facilitated an exercise with council members which encompassed the entirety of scoring mechanics and allowed for sharing of rationales.

X. Grant Management System Training

Ashleigh Brew, GCCD staff, presented council members with the new Grant Management System and trained them on how to sign up and properly score applications. A user guide was provided to assist scorers with navigating the system.

XI. Adjourn

Upon motion by Daniel Henry, seconded by Shamika Baker Wright, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.