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THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

Regular Meeting

May 19, 2021 9:00 AM Columbus, Georgia

Meeting was Held by Both Telephone Conferencing and In-Person Due to the COVID-19 Virus

The Commissioners of the Housing Authority of Columbus, Georgia met in a regular session in Columbus, Georgia.

Commissioner John Greenman called the meeting to order and on roll call the following Commissioners answered present:

Ed Burdeshaw Jeanella Pendleton Tiffani Stacy John Sheftall

Chairman Cardin arrived late but was also in attendance.

In attendance from the Housing Authority staff was Lisa Walters, Chief Executive Officer, Sabrina Richards, Chief of Property Management, John Casteel, Chief Assisted Housing Officer, Sheila Crisp, Chief Financial Officer, Laura Johnson, Chief Real Estate Officer, Carla Godwin, MTW Coordinator and Resident Services Administrator, Amy Bergman, Executive Assistant, and Attorney Jim Clark.

Also in attendance was Ken Henson and Rebecca Sajak.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Commissioner Greenman called for approval of the agenda.

Motion for approval was made by Commissioner Burdeshaw, seconded by Commissioner Sheftall. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 21, 2021 BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

Commissioner Greenman called for a motion to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2021, Board meeting.

Motion for approval was made by Commissioner Burdeshaw, seconded by Commissioner Pendleton. The motion carried.

<u>APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 29, 2021 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING</u> MINUTES:

Commissioner Greenman called for a motion to approve the minutes of the April 29, 2021 Special Board meeting.

Motion for approval was made by Commissioner Pendleton, seconded by Commissioner Sheftall. The motion carried.

CHARGE-OFF OF RESIDENT ACCOUNT BALANCES:

The following Resolution was introduced and duly considered:

RESOLUTION NO. 3384

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHARGE-OFF OF RESIDENT ACCOUNT BALANCES TO COLLECTION LOSS FOR THE AUTHORITY'S HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS FOR THE MONTH ENDING APRIL 30, 2021

Motion for approval was made by Commissioner Stacy, seconded by Commissioner Burdeshaw. Motion carried.

FISCAL YEAR END 2022 BUDGET:

The following Resolution was introduced and duly considered:

RESOLUTION NO. 3385

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR END 2022 BUDGET

Sheila Crisp reviewed the budget highlights and addressed the budget deficiency.

The proposed FYE 2022 budget was presented to the Audit and Finance Committee on May 5, 2021. The committee voted to bring the budget to the Board with their recommendation for approval. Commissioner Greenman, Chair of the Audit and Finance Committee, motioned for approval. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION OF THE DRAGONFLY TRAIL:

Ken Henson and Becca Sajak presented the proposed expansion of the Dragonfly Trail and the Lake Bottom Connector. They also requested a \$200,000 donation from HACG to help with the creation of the trail. The Board stated that the donation request would be discussed.

REPORT FROM THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE:

No report but Mr. Cardin stated the search continues for another commissioner candidate.

REPORT FROM THE AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Commissioner Greenman, Chair of the Audit and Finance Committee, stated there was nothing else to report.

REPORT FROM THE REAL ESTATE COMMMITTEE:

No report.

REPORT ON THE SECURITY TASK FORCE:

Commissioner Stacy said the Security Task Force will now be called the Public Safety Task Force. During the last task force meeting traffic, drug use, and crime was discussed. Ms. Stacy said that she has notified the police of drag racing that is occurring on Sunday afternoon around Canty Apartments.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Mrs. Walters reported that HACG has a 98% lease up rate for all developments including the remote properties. She also noted that Section 8 voucher utilization was at 84% or 3,265 vouchers. HACG has 202 families with vouchers searching for housing.

The HACG Resident Services department partnered with the Department of Public Health to administer the Covid vaccine to 137 residents. Another event will be held at Canty and Wilson.

Mrs. Walters noted that HACG held the annual employee spring picnic at The Park. This was the first event in over a year in which all HACG employees were able to come together.

Mrs. Walters stated that she participated in an accreditation call with HUD officials.

HACG received 43 emergency housing vouchers under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. The vouchers are to be used for individuals that are homeless, at risk for homelessness, or fleeing domestic violence. HACG is required to partner with the local Continuum of Care to administer these vouchers.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Commission Greenman and seconded by Commissioner Burdeshaw. The motion carried and meeting was adjourned.

DocuSigned by:

R. Larry Cardin

Chairman

Lisa L. Walters, CPM Secretary-Treasurer