

Minutes of the Special Joint Meeting
Of the Boards of Commissioners of the
HOUSING AUTHORITIES OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF FRESNO

Wednesday, May 17, 2017

9:00 A.M.

The Boards of Commissioners of the Housing Authorities of the City and County of Fresno met in a special joint session on Wednesday, May 17, 2017 at Legacy Commons, located at 2255 S. Plumas Street, Fresno, California.

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:20 a.m. by Preston Prince, CEO. Roll call was taken and the Commissioners present and absent were as follows:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: ADRIAN JONES, Chair
 STEVEN BEDROSIAN
 KARL JOHNSON
 STACY VAILLANCOURT
 VIRNA SANTOS
 CAINE CHRISTENSEN
 JIM PETTY, Chair
 MARY CASTRO
 NANCY NELSON
 VENILDE MILLER

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: RUEBEN SCOTT, Vice Chair
 JOEY FUENTES
 STACY SABLAN

Also, in attendance were the following: Preston Prince, CEO/Executive Director and Ken Price, Baker Manock and Jensen - General Counsel.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

3. OPENING - BOARD ACTIVITY

The Board Retreat was opened with introductions.

4. COMMISSIONER TRAINING– facilitated by Baker Manock & Jensen, General Counsel

- Legal Responsibilities
- Role of Commissioners vs. Staff
- Liability and Indemnification
- Basic Legal Requirements
- Best Practices

General Counsel, Kenneth J. Price, briefly presented on the topics as noted above.

5. WHO WE ARE

- Agency Overview
- Overview of Housing Programs
- Demographics, Data, and Other Information

Mr. Prince stated Fresno Housing Authority staff will briefly present on the agency overview, overview of housing programs, demographics, data, and other information.

Mr. Scott Fetterhoff, Director of Human Resources and Organizational Development, gave a brief presentation on the staff profile.

6. WHAT WE DO

Ms. Nguyen gave a brief presentation on the work of the agency. Ms. Nguyen presented the major programs within the agency - the Housing Choice Voucher, program also known as Section 8, and the Affordable Housing program. The HCV/Section 8 has approximately 13,000 total combined vouchers, which 7,100 are City vouchers. This program has over 38,000 participants. The Affordable Housing program, includes 70 Multi-Family housing properties, approximately 3,000 dwelling units, and has over 12,000 residents. The Affordable Housing program also has 130 Farm Labor households, and more than 200 units of Migrant housing.

Another major program is the Veteran, Homeless and Senior program has approximately 371 VASH vouchers for Veterans. This special program has over 120 units of Permanent Supportive Housing units. In addition, there are 250 Senior Housing Units.

The Resident Services is another major program within the organization. The Resident Services program focuses on the topics of education, health and wellness, and wage progression.

7. LESSONS ON POVERTY

The Boards of Commissioners watched the “13 Lessons about Poverty” video by Stephen Pimpare.

The Boards of Commissioners and Staff had a brief discussion on the video.

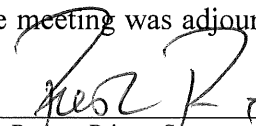
Stephen Pimpare will be in Fresno from June 21 - 23, 2017. Mr. Pimpare will be attending several meetings with other community organizations. Mr. Pimpare will be the speaker at the All Staff event on June 23, 2017.

8. 2017 AGENCY GOALS

Ms. Hanrahan stated that the strategic plan of the agency was adopted by the Boards in 2011. The Fresno Housing Authority goals are centered around place, people, public and partnership. Thus, the discussion of the 2017 agency goals focused on giving new commissioners a general understanding of how the agency goals connect to the broader strategic goals, and to begin to engage the Boards on our strategic efforts moving forward.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be considered by the Boards of Commissioners for the Housing Authorities of the City and County of Fresno, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:45 p.m.



Preston Prince, Secretary to the Boards of Commissioners