

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

Tuesday, August 23, 2016

5:00 P.M.

The Boards of Commissioners of the Housing Authorities of the City and County of Fresno met in a regular joint session on Tuesday, August 23, 2016 at the offices of HACCF, located at 1331 Fulton Mall, Fresno, California.

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. by Board Chair, Commissioner Jones of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Fresno. Roll call was taken by Monique Narciso, Administrative Assistant, and the Commissioners present and absent were as follows:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: ADRIAN JONES, Chair
 RUEBEN SCOTT, Vice Chair
 CRAIG SCHARTON
 KARL JOHNSON
 STACY VAILLANCOURT
 CAINE CHRISTENSEN

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: STEVEN BEDROSIAN

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. by Board Chair, Commissioner Sablan, of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of Fresno County. Roll call was taken by Monique Narciso, Administrative Assistant, and the Commissioners present and absent were as follows:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: STACY SABLAN, Chair
 RENEETA ANTHONY, Vice Chair
 NANCY NELSON
 VENILDE MILLER
 JOEY FUENTES

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: JIM PETTY
 LEE ANN EAGER

Also, in attendance were the following: Preston Prince, CEO/Executive Director; Tracewell Hanrahan, Deputy Executive Director; Jorge Aguilar, Former City Board Commissioner; Ken Price, Baker Manock and Jensen - General Counsel; and Tiffany Mangum, Special Assistant to the CEO/Executive Director.

The Board Chairs welcomed Commissioner Christensen to the Board.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS POSTED (OR AMENDED)

No public comment.

Commissioner Scharton motioned for the City Board's approval of the agenda as posted. This action was seconded by Commissioner Scott, and by unanimous vote of the Board of Commissioners for the City, the agenda was approved as posted.

Commissioner Anthony motioned for the County Board's approval of the agenda as posted. This action was seconded by Commissioner Fuentes, and by unanimous vote of the Board of Commissioners for the County, the agenda was approved as posted.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment at this time.

4. POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

This was the time for any Commissioner who had a potential conflict of interest to identify the item and recuse themselves from discussing and voting on the matter per Government Code section 87105.

There were no conflicts of interest.

5. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DR. JORGE AGUILAR

Commissioner Jones lead the recognition and acknowledgement for Dr. Jorge Aguilar. Commissioner Jones presented Dr. Aguilar with a plaque, thanking him for his service to the Agency. Preston Prince said a few words, followed by brief speech from Dr. Aguilar.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Consideration of the minutes of July 26, 2016
- b. Consideration of the Information Technology Policy

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Scharton abstained from Item 6(a).

Commissioner Scott motioned for the City Board's approval of the consent agenda. This action was seconded by Commissioner Johnson and by majority vote of the Board of Commissioners for the City, the consent agenda was approved.

Commissioner Anthony motioned for the County Board's approval of the consent agenda. This action was seconded by Commissioner Nelson, and by unanimous vote of the Board of Commissioners for the County, the consent agenda was approved.

7. INFORMATIONAL

a. 2017 Public Housing Agency Annual Plans Update

Angie Nguyen, Director of Strategic Initiatives & Housing Programs, presented an update on the 2017 Public Housing Agency Annual Plans. Ms. Nguyen covered all the changes that were made since the previous presentation during the 2016 July Board Meeting.

There was no public comment.

b. Overview of Current Criminal Background Policies and Procedures

Angie Nguyen presented an overview of the current criminal background policies and procedures. Ms. Nguyen's presentation included the Federal regulation, current policies for housing programs, the process, current data, HUD PIH guidance, and the ongoing evaluation of the Agency's policies and procedures.

The Boards had further questions asking if the current policies and procedures applied to all housing programs and if there were automatic denials.

Angie Nguyen responded that all current policies and procedures applied to all programs and those who are denied go through a further review process.

Preston Prince announced that this topic will be included in the Board Retreat.

At the conclusion of the presentation, the Boards opened the discussion for public comment.

Michael Baun asked if the eligibility requirements a violation of the applicants civil rights.

Angie Nguyen clarified the information on the public notice presented in the Board packet.

Preston Prince asked Mr. Baun for clarification on his question if it was against Civil Rights to have a criminal background check. Mr. Baun responded that he was specifically inquiring about arrest records. Mr. Prince explained that there is certain information that is required to meet programs standards, including arrest records.

Ken Price, General Counsel, further explained that an arrest record is not sufficient enough evidence to deny an applicant. Mr. Price further clarified that there needs to be efficient evidence with the arrest.

There was no further public comment.

c. Sierra Pointe Update

Emily De La Guerra, Director of Finance and Administration, presented an update on the Sierra Pointe Homes. Ms. De La Guerra's presentation included an overview of the history of the Sierra Pointe Homes, the current status of the loans, and the future of the portfolio. Ms. De La Guerra concluded her presentation with some options towards the future with these properties. The options Ms. De La Guerra presented to the Boards were to retain the portfolio, encourage borrowers to refinance, or to sell the portfolio of loans to an investor.

The Boards opened the discussion for public comment.

There was no public comment.

d. Homeless Analysis and Program Overview

Cassie Morgan, Quality Assurance Analyst, began the presentation with the results of the 2016 Point-in-Time (PIT) count.

Mr. Prince clarified that the School District has a different definition of unsheltered children than HUD.

Doreen Eley, Assisted Housing Manager, presented the Boards with the ten year plan update. Ms. Eley's update included the accomplishments and coordination on the Housing First philosophy, increasing outreach, and coordinated entry for MAP Point at the POV. Ms. Eley presented information on ending veteran homelessness, ending chronic homelessness, rapid rehousing, and the Renaissance programs.

The Boards opened the discussion for public comment.

Michael Bahn asked if the assessment is formal and if the survey is voluntary.

Doreen answered that the survey is formal and voluntary.

There was no further public comment.

8. ACTION ITEMS – COMMISSIONERS MAY CONSIDER, APPROVE, DENY, AND/OR CONTINUE

a. Consideration of Submission of the Funding Application – Continuum of Care Program

Doreen Eley recommended the Boards approve to submit the Continuum of Care program funding application to the HUD, the execution of any resulting contracts

with associated amendments, and to hire related personnel to administer the programs.

No public comment.

Commissioner Scott motioned for the City Board's approval of the Continuum of Care Program funding application. This action was seconded by Commissioner Scharton, and by unanimous vote of the Board of Commissioners for the City, Continuum of Care Program funding application was approved.

Commissioner Anthony motioned for the County Board's approval of the Continuum of Care Program funding application. This action was seconded by Commissioner Fuentes, and by unanimous vote of the Board of Commissioners for the County, Continuum of Care Program funding application was approved.

9. COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner Caine briefly introduced himself to the Boards and Staff.

Commissioner Sablan and Jones announced that they are scheduling a meeting with Preston regarding the Board Retreat and a Holiday Dinner.

10. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

In addition to the written Director's report, the following items were announced:

- August is NAHRO Advocacy Month while Congress is on recess.
- The Agency and staff participated in the Taco Truck Throwdown event on August 18, 2016.
- Commissioner Jones was recognized at the Onyx 100 Gala on August 19, 2016.
- The application to the U.S. Department of Agriculture has been funded for \$300,000 to allow expansion of a community garden at Parc Grove.
- The Fresno County Library has implemented the Without Walls programs and began giving out library cards to residents at Parc Grove.
- There were 23 children who participated in the Bitwise Summer Programming Academy. Preston shared a video that the Fresno Bee published.

11. CLOSED SESSION

The Boards went into closed session at approximately 7:07 p.m.

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT

Pursuant to Government Code Section §54597

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Pursuant to Government Code § 54956.9 (b), 1 case

The Boards went into open session at approximately 7:24 p.m. with no action to report.

12. 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 7:55 p.m.



Preston Prince, Secretary to the Boards of Commissioners

approved 9-27-10