

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

Tuesday, June 22, 2021

5:00 P.M.

The Boards of Commissioners of the Housing Authorities of the City and County of Fresno met in a regular session on Tuesday, June 22, 2021, via teleconference.

1. The regular meeting was called to order at 5:03 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 and the Commissioners present and absent were as follows:

PRESENT: Adrian Jones, Chair
 Caine Christensen, Vice Chair
 Stacy Vaillancourt
 Ruby Yanez
 Sharon Williams
 Sabrina Kelley

ABSENT: Terra Brusseau

The regular meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m. by Board Chair, Commissioner Catalano, of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of Fresno County. Roll call was taken and the Commissioners present and absent were as follows:

PRESENT: Cary Catalano Chair
 Valori Gallaher
 Stacy Sablan
 Joey Fuentes

ABSENT: Nikki Henry, Vice Chair
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 Sophia Ramos

Also, in attendance were the following: Angie Nguyen, Interim CEO/Chief Programs Officer, and Ken Price, Baker Manock and Jensen - General Counsel.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS POSTED (OR AMENDED)

Tracewell Hanrahan, Deputy Executive Director, requested the Boards pull consent agenda items 8c, 9b, and 9c.

COUNTY MOTION: *Commissioner Sablan moved, seconded by Commissioner Fuentes, to approve the agenda as amended.*

MOTION PASSED: 4 – 0

CITY MOTION: *Commissioner Vaillancourt moved, seconded by Commissioner Christensen, to approve the agenda as amended.*

MOTION PASSED: 6 – 0

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Terri Thacker, voucher holder, requested assistance from the Board on her voucher renewal. She emailed her Fresno Housing worker on June 15, 2021 but hasn't received a response. Her voucher expiration was on June 18, 2021. She has had difficulty finding housing since February 2021.

4. POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no potential conflicts of interest at this time.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Governance: Consideration of the Minutes of May 25, 2021
- b. Consideration of Contract for Grounds Maintenance Services
- c. Consideration of Renewal of the Home Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Agreement (HOME TBRA) – City of Fresno
- d. Consideration of \$500,000 Operating Grant Agreement with the County of Fresno – Journey Home
- e. Consideration of Operating and Maintenance Agreements, and Funding Application Submissions – Solar on Multi-family Affordable Housing (SOMAH) Program

COUNTY MOTION: *Commissioner Sablan moved, seconded by Commissioner Gallaher, to approve the consent agenda.*

MOTION PASSED: 4 – 0

CITY MOTION: *Commissioner Kelley moved, seconded by Commissioner Yanez, to approve the consent agenda.*

MOTION PASSED: *6 – 0*

6. CLOSED SESSION

Public Comment:

Eric Payne, Executive Director at Central Valley Urban Institute, requested more information regarding the search process for the new Chief Executive Officer. The Boards made a commitment to ensure an open search process. This included agents communicating and engaging with community stakeholders. He requested more conversations to have a better understanding on the timeline of the search process.

The Boards entered closed session at 5:21 pm.

- a. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT
Title: CEO

7. REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION MATTER

The Board returned from closed session at 5:55 pm.

Commissioner Catalano stated there was nothing to report from closed session.

8. STAFF PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. Overview of 2022 Annual Plans, Timeline, and Process

Angie Nguyen, Interim CEO/Chief Programs Officer, presented on this item.

- b. Update on the Procurement of Property Management and Services Coordination for Transitional and Emergency Housing Properties

Tracewell Hanrahan, Deputy Executive Officer, presented on this item.

c. Real Estate Development Update

Michael Duarte, Chief Real Estate Officer, presented on this item.

9. ACTION

a. Consideration of Approval to Submit Funding Application Corazon del Valle Commons

Michael Duarte, Chief Real Estate Officer, presented on this item.

COUNTY MOTION: *Commissioner Fuentes moved, seconded by Commissioner Sablan to approve to submit funding application Corazon del Valle Commons.*

MOTION PASSED: 4 – 0

CITY MOTION: *Commissioner Vaillancourt moved, seconded by Commissioner Kelley to approve to submit funding application Corazon del Valle Commons.*

MOTION PASSED: 6 – 0

b. Consideration of Rental Assistance Demonstration Conversion and Rehabilitation – Wedgewood Villas

Michael Duarte, Chief Real Estate Officer, presented on this item.

COUNTY MOTION: *Commissioner Sablan moved, seconded by Commissioner Fuentes to approve the Rental Assistance Demonstration Conversion and Rehabilitation – Wedgewood Villas.*

MOTION PASSED: 4 – 0

CITY MOTION: *Commissioner Yanez moved, seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve the Rental Assistance Demonstration Conversion and Rehabilitation – Wedgewood Villas.*

MOTION PASSED: 6 – 0

10. GOVERNANCE

a. Commissioners' Report

Commissioner Catalano:

- Reminded the Board of the Solivita Commons Grand Opening happening on June 29, 2021 at 10:00 am.

Commissioner Yanez:

- Participated in Fresno Housing's Resident Survey Event at Fairview on June 21, 2021.

b. Executive Director's Report

- Community meeting in the Avalon Commons Neighborhood was held on June 3, 2021.
- Solivita Commons' grand opening will take place on June 29, 2021 at 10:00 am.
- The Board Retreat is confirmed for October 15, 2021.
- Tiffany Mangum, Executive Operations Manager, has created a doodle link for the July DEI workshop.
- In August, there will be a board workshop focusing on Real Estate Development.
- In September, there will be a board workshop focusing on Resident Empowerment.
- Fresno Housing is a sponsor for the State of the City event happening Friday, June 25, 2021.
- The July 27, 2021 Joint Board meeting will be a hybrid meeting.
- The Esperanza Commons Award Letter was presented to Fresno housing on Friday, June 18, 2021.
- New Hires
 - o Jeff Cardell, Director of Human Resources

Public Comment:

Eric Payne, Executive Director at Central Valley Urban Institute, shared his excitement on the new funding that the City of Fresno will provide to Fresno Housing for affordable housing. He is excited about the new resources that the City of Fresno will make available. The Central Valley Urban Institute held their first black male youth summit on Friday, June 18, 2021. There were several public housing and HCV holder families that participated in the summit. The summit included panelists that talked about home ownership, entrepreneurship, and public service. Because of their sponsors, the event was free to all youth that participated. Their op-ed piece, regarding the impacts of segregation and community redlining, was printed on CalMatters. He hoped the Agency will stay engaged in these conversations and provide feedback to this document.

11. 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 6:33 p.m.



Angie Nguyen, Secretary to the Boards of Commissioners