

MINUTES

Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Commission (SHRC) Regular Meeting March 18, 2015

Meeting noticed on March 13, 2015

ROLL CALL

The Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Commission meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair Griffin. A quorum of members was present.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Alcalay, Creswell, Griffin, Morgan, Morton, Raab

MEMBERS ABSENT: Johnson, Macedo (three vacancies)

STAFF PRESENT: Vickie Smith, LaShelle Dozier, David Levin, Christine Weichert,

Tashica McIntyre, MaryLiz Paulson, Tyrone Williams, Sarah

Thomas, Cecette Hawkins, Anne Nicholls

<u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</u> – the Chair announced that items 4 and 5 would be heard together.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 18, 2015 and March 4, 2015 meetings were approved as submitted.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

2. Reina Florez spoke regarding her request to be reinstated to the Housing Choice Voucher program. Commissioner Creswell requested a report back regarding the outcome of her discussions with staff. Staff is reviewing her case and will respond to Ms. Florez in writing regarding her appeal.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

3. Housing Authority Resident Spotlight

Staff introduced two participants in the Family Self Sufficiency program. They were Karen Lynn Thurman and Tanesha Thornton. Staff also introduced Jennifer Caldwell who is a Marina Vista resident enrolled in the janitorial training program. The commissioners thanked all three for their service.

BUSINESS

4. <u>Housing Authority Participation in the Renewal of the Downtown Sacramento Property</u> and Business Improvement District (PBID)

5. Riverview Plaza Associates Participation In The Renewal Of The Downtown Sacramento Property And Business Improvement District (PBID)

Cecette Hawkins presented the items 4 and 5.

Commissioner Creswell asked about the ability of the PBID to charge a reduced rate to housing authority properties. Staff indicated that they could have a discussion with the Downtown Partnership about that.

On a motion by Commissioner Creswell, seconded by Commissioner Alcalay, the Commission recommended approval of the staff recommendation for the items listed above. The votes were as follows

AYES: Alcalay, Creswell, Griffin, Morgan, Morton, Raab

NOES: none

ABSTAIN: none

ABSENT: Johnson, Macedo

Commissioner Creswell made a second motion to direct staff to pursue discussions with the Downtown partnership about housing authority properties paying a reduced rate. Commissioner Raab seconded the motion. The votes were as follows.

AYES: Alcalay, Creswell, Griffin, Morgan, Morton, Raab

NOES: none

ABSTAIN: none

ABSENT: Johnson, Macedo

6. <u>Authorization To Enter Into Loan Agreements With The County Of Sacramento And Mercy Housing California Related To Predevelopment Activities At Courtyard Inn</u>

Anne Nicholls presented the item.

Commissioner Alcalay thanked Mercy housing for working on this project and encouraged them to tackle other buildings in the area.

Commissioner Morgan asked for clarification on the status of the adjacent fenced property which staff provided.

On a motion by Commissioner Alcalay, seconded by Commissioner Creswell, the Commission recommended approval of the staff recommendation for the items listed above. The votes were as follows

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AYES: Alcalay, Creswell, Griffin, Morgan, Morton

NOES: none

ABSTAIN: Raab (recused herself and left meeting)

ABSENT: Johnson, Macedo

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

LaShelle Dozier reviewed the following:

Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for April 1st.

- Commissioner Morton is leaving the commission due to no longer living in conventional housing. LaShelle thanked him for his service.
- LaShelle Dozier and Tyrone Williams presented a brief overview of the Downtown housing initiative.
- April 9th is the grand opening of Greenway Village. Invitation will follow.

COMMISSION CHAIR REPORT

Chair Griffin announced that he had been asked to participate in the survey being conducted by the audit group from the City of Sacramento.

ITEMS AND QUESTIONS OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

Commissioner Creswell stated that the Commission needed to take an active role in the Downtown Housing Initiative process.

Commissioner Alcalay stated that he wanted to make sure that services such as transit and retail are integrated into the Downtown Housing initiative. He also asked for a copy of the Railyards site plan which staff will provide.

Commissioner Creswell asked about sending a second letter to the city and county about Boomerang funds. Staff will look into this and report back.

Commissioners thanked Louis Morton for his service and wished him well.

Commissioner Morton also thanked his fellow commissioners and staff for their assistance during his term.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to be conducted, Chair Griffin adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

