Housing Commission



SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Date: 8/3/2016 Time: 5:30 p.m. Administration Building

City Council Conference Room "Fishbowl" 701 Laurel St., Menlo Park, CA 94025

A. Call To Order

• Chair Tate called the meeting to order

B. Roll Call

Present: Michele Tate (Chair), Meg McGraw-Scherer (Vice Chair),

Sally Cadigan, Lucy Calder

Absent: Julianna Dodick

Staff: Jim Cogan, Housing and Economic Development Manager

Meghan Revolinsky, Management Analyst in Housing & Economic

C. Public Comment

None

D. Consent Calendar

D1. Approve minutes for the Housing Commission meeting of June 29, 2015

ACTION: Motion by Cadigan and second by McGraw-Scherer to fix a typo of Cadigan's name and approve minutes for the Housing Commission meeting of June 29, 2015. Motion Passes: 4-0-1 (Dodick absent).

- D2. Approve minutes for the Housing Commission meeting of July 7, 2016
- D3. Approve minutes for the Housing Commission meeting of July 12, 2016

ACTION: Motion by Cadigan and second by McGraw-Scherer to approve minutes for the Housing Commission meeting of July 7, 2016 and July 12, 2016. Motion Passes: 4-0-1 (Dodick absent).

- E. Regular Business
- E1. Nomination and Approval of Vice Chair

ACTION: Motion by Cadigan and second by Tate to nominate and approve Meg McGraw-Scherer as Vice Chair of the Housing. Motion Passes: 4-0-1 (Dodick absent).

E2. Discussion of Work Plan

Committee reviewed its 2014-2016 Work Plan, then brainstormed and discussed its priorities for their 2017-2019 Housing Commission 2 Year Work Plan (See list below). Item continued to next meeting, on Wednesday, November 2, 2016 5:00 pm.

- Housing outreach and support
- Become more involved in educational opportunities:
 - o Join Housing Leadership Council of San Mateo County
 - Attend housing conferences
- Become involved in the NOFAs
 - Have Housing Commission give feedback on language
- Review Annual BMR Report
- Propose a new regular meeting schedule
- Make housing policy recommendations to Council
- Greater oversight of Housing Contractor

Celia Miller, from Menlo Park, provided positive feedback on development of the Housing Work Plan.

F. Informational Items

F1. Review of Council Study Session on Draft BMR Nexus Studies

Cogan gave a brief review of the BMR Nexus Studies that was presented to council and answered all commissioners' questions. Topics included: the current inclusionary zoning requirements, the nexus study brought to City Council and the recommended changes in office and residential fees.

F2. Hello Housing Background of Services and Report

Matt Warner and Sarah Shimmin, from Hello Housing, gave the commission a brief overview of the services Hello Housing provides to the city of Menlo Park and a summary of its 2015-2016 statistics. Topics included:

- Overview of Hello Housing's Services
- o Overview of BMR Portfolio
- o BMR Homeownership Program
- o BMR Waiting List Management
- o BMR Resales
- BMR Refinances
- Owner Occupancy Monitoring & Enforcement
- Recordation of Requests for Copy of Notice of Default
- o BMR Rental Program
- o BMR Waiting List Management
- Annual Recertification
- Tenant Selection
- Resources/Communications
- Loan Servicing of Purchase Assistance Loans, CDBG Loans, Rehab Loans, Emergency Rehab Loans
- o BMR Portfolio Summary
- BMR Waiting List Summary
- Summary of 2016 BMR Compliance Monitoring Report

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Chair Tate adjourned the meeting