

NOTICE AND AGENDA

HOUSING COMMISSION
THURSDAY
JANUARY 23, 2020

COUNCIL CHAMBERS
211 WEST ASPEN AVENUE
1:00 P.M.

1. **Call to Order**

Chair Ellman called the meeting to order at 1:01 PM

2. **Roll Call**

NOTE: One or more Commission Members may be in attendance telephonically or by other technological means.

ROSS ALTENBAUGH
KAIJAYLAAN BEATTIE
ERIC DAVIS
MELINDA DEBOER-AYREY
NICOLE ELLMAN

CATHERINE ESQUIVEL
KAREN FLORES
KHARA HOUSE
DEVONNA MCLAUGHLIN
MOSES MILAZZO

ERIN O'LOUGHLIN
TAD RIGGS
VACANT

Melinda Deboer-Ayrey arrived at 1:11PM
Ross Altenbaugh left meeting at 2:10 PM
Eric Davis left meeting at 3:13 PM
Karen Flores left meeting at 3:37 PM

3. **Public Comment**

At this time, any member of the public may address the Commission on any subject within their jurisdiction that is not scheduled before the Commission on that day. Due to Open Meeting Laws, the Commission cannot discuss or act on items presented during this portion of the agenda. To address the Commission on an item that is on the agenda, please wait for the Chair to call for Public Comment at the time the item is heard.

NONE

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A. **Consideration and Approval of minutes:** January 6,2020
Approval of the minutes.

Moved by Moses Milazzo, **seconded by** Tad Riggs to approve the minutes of January 23, 2020.

Vote: 12 - 0 - Unanimously

5. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- A. **Presentation and Discussion:** Development fees
Discussion and Input

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

- A. **Discussion and Direction:** Presentation of information requested on January 6, 2020 regarding bonding and affordable housing.

Discussion and Direction regarding 2020 bonding:

1. Direction from January 6, 2020 meeting
 1. Questions and possible request for more information on this topic.
 2. Do Commissioners want to proceed in exploring a 2020 ballot measure (bond or sales tax) for improving housing affordability in Flagstaff?
 3. If yes, what type of funding source should be utilized?
 4. If yes, what should the money be utilized for?

2. If Yes, next meeting questions?
 1. Prioritize projects?
 2. How much are we talking about?
 3. Fit projects into recommended amount? ?
 4. Finalize recommendation to Council?

Sarah Darr, Housing Director presented requested information from the January 6, 2020 meeting regarding bonding and affordable housing. The information requested from staff was to help the Commissioners make a recommendation to Council on a 2020 measure.

Commissioner Altenbaugh left the meeting at 2:10 PM

Commissioner McLaughin, Chief Executive Officer of Housing Solutions of Northern Arizona presented on local, state and federal funding and unique challenges in creating affordable housing in the Flagstaff community through development.

Rebecca Sayers, Parks and Recreation Director provided a Parks and Recreation/ Open Space Priorities Committee (PROS) update.

A call for public comment occurred. Rick Lopez, a Flagstaff citizen spoke on an affordable housing bond topic. Mr. Lopez thanked the Commissioners for volunteering their time, spoke of the history of Flagstaff's housing affordability issue and on the topic of creating a successful 2020 affordable housing bond.

Chair Ellman suggested that the Housing Commission create an Informal Working Group to explore the reasons for why Prop 422 did not pass.

The below Commissioners volunteers to join the working group.

1. Commissioner Kai Beattie
2. Commissioner Melinda Deboer-Ayrey
3. Commissioner Catherine Esquivel
4. Commissioner Karen Flores
5. Commissioner Moses Milazzo

Councilmember McCarthy spoke about lessons learned from 2018 ballot.

Moved by Devonna McLaughlin, **seconded by** Catherine Esquivel to recommend to Council a bond ballot measure in 2020 that would improve housing affordability

Vote: 11 - 0 - Unanimously

7. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS TO/FROM COMMISSION MEMBERS, STAFF, AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS**

NONE

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

At 3:33 PM