

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

HOUSING COMMISSION
THURSDAY
MAY 27, 2021

VIRTUAL MEETING
MICROSOFT TEAMS MEETING
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.

ERIC DAVIS - Present
NICOLE ELLMAN - Present
KAREN FLORES - Present
SANDI FLORES - Present
KHARA HOUSE - Present

CHRIS KEMMERLY - Absent
DEVONNA MCLAUGHLIN - Present
MOSES MILAZZO - Absent
ERIN O'LOUGHLIN - Present
ADRAH PARAFINIUK - Present

TAD RIGGS - Absent
ROSS SCHAEFER ALTENBAUGH - Present
JOANNA WHEATON - Present

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: Housing Commission Meeting, April 22, 2021
Approve the minutes of the April 22, 2021 Housing Commission Meeting

Moved by Khara House, **seconded by** Sandi Flores

Vote: 10 - 0 - Unanimously

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Discussion and Input: Bonding for an Alternative Response Model
Discussion and input regarding bonding for an Alternative Response Model:

1. Answer questions from Commission Members.
2. Gain an understanding about how a care center may align with the components of the housing bond measures the Commission is considering.
3. Continue conversations about potential collaboration.

Ms. Sarah Darr introduced the presenters. Coordinator for Indigenous Initiatives Ms. Rose Toehe, Deputy City Manager Shannon Anderson, City Council Member Mr. Adam Shimoni, Chief Prosecutor Mr. Brent Harris, Fire Chief Mr. Mark Gallard, and Deputy Fire Chief Mr. Mark Wilson presented on the Alternative Response Model background, funding, and goals.

Commissioners asked questions and provided input regarding need and goal of the initiative, initiative stakeholders, behavioral health and housing experts in process, comparison with similar initiatives, budgeting estimates and savings areas, bond ask scope and relationship to the Housing Bond, role of housing in model, data source for target populations, and efficacy of funds used in this way to address target population.

B. Discussion and Input: Update regarding Flagstaff's 10 Year Housing Plan
A presentation by Leah Bloom, Affordable Housing Advancement Project Manager.

Ms. Leah Bloom, Affordable Housing Advancement Project Manager, presented background to 10 Year Housing Plan and the Declaration of Housing Emergency (December 2020), public participation, working group progress, next steps, and 10 Year Housing Plan goals.

Commissioner Parafiniuk inquired on final review to which Ms. Bloom responded.

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

A. Update from Housing Authority Commission Member

Ms. Darr provided information on the award of Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV) and the Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) contract bid closure on June 15, 2021.

B. Update from Housing Commissioners and other informational items

Chair Ellman and Vice Chair House discussed having additional conversation regarding the Alternative Response Model Staff and Commissioners came to the conclusion to first have a presentation on past housing bond recommendations and review housing related issues. Once Commissioners discuss potential 2021 housing bond recommendations, the Commission would like to invite staff back to discuss Alternative Response Model.

C. Update from Housing Staff

Ms. Kristine Pavlik provided an update on Community Development Block Grant (CDBG; HUD awarded an additional \$8,400 which was allocated to existing housing grants pending City Council approval. A neighborhood meeting is also set for June 24, 2021, 5:00-7:00 pm at the Murdoch Center.

Ms. Bloom informed the Commission that the City is in Phase 3 of the re-entry plan which calls for all meetings of the public body to be virtual in nature. In Phase 4, Board and Commission meetings will occur on the regular schedule with new protocols and provisions related to remote/hybrid meetings being explored.

Ms. Jennifer Mikelson reported on the Incentive Policy for Affordable Housing (IPAH) with Mr. Dan Symear. Stakeholder interviews are complete, feasibility study and feedback on “permanently affordable housing” definition is in process before presenting to working groups. IPAH Update Working Group is holding a public round table discussion on June 3, 2021, 4:00-6:00 pm.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 3:03 pm by Chair Ellman.