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HOUSING COMMISSION
THURSDAY
MAY 23, 2024

VIRTUAL MEETING
MICROSOFT TEAMS MEETING
1:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order

Chair Devonna McLaughlin called the meeting to order at 1:03 pm.

NOTICE OF OPTION TO RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Commission and to the general public that, at this regular meeting, the Commission may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for legal advice and discussion with the City's attorneys for legal advice on any item listed on the following agenda, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3).

2. Roll Call

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

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| Kevin Bond - Absent | Karen Flores - Present | Cory Runge - Present |
| Eric Brownfield - Present | Sandi Flores - Present | Ross Schaefer - Present |
| Tyler Denham - Absent | Jacque Kellogg - Present, joined at 1:10 pm | Glenn Slivers - Present, joined at 1:10 pm |
| Kevin Dobbe - Absent | Devonna McLaughlin - Present | Hayley Zoroya - Present |
| | Moses Milazzo - Absent | |

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jennifer Mikelson, Housing Planning Manager
Marissa Molloy, Housing Specialist
Jessica Watson, Housing Planner
Sarah Darr, Housing Director
Justyna Costa, Assistant Housing Director
Erin Young, Water Services Manager
Shannon Jones, Water Services Director
Khara House, Council Liaison
Christina Rubalcava, Senior Assistant City Attorney

3. LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Housing Commission humbly acknowledges the ancestral homelands of this area's Indigenous nations and original stewards. These lands, still inhabited by Native descendants, border mountains sacred to Indigenous peoples. We honor them, their legacies, their traditions, and their continued contributions. We celebrate their past, present, and future generations who will forever know this place as home.

Read by Vice Chair Sandi Flores

4. 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.

No Public Comment

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Consideration and Approval of Minutes: Housing Commission Meeting, March 28, 2024.
Approve the minutes from the March 28, 2024 Housing Commission meeting.

Moved by Hayley Zoroya, seconded by Eric Brownfield to approve the minutes from the March 28, 2024 regular Housing Commission meeting.

Vote: 9 - 0 - Unanimously

6. ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

None

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

- A. Wastewater, Reclaimed Water, and Water Rates Update
Information Only.

Ms. Erin Young, Water Services Manager, presented an update on Water Services and the Water Rate Study.

Commissioners asked questions about how the proposed rates compare to similar cities or jurisdictions in Arizona, the general impact and increase over the next five years, and the ability to add a low-income assistance program. Ms. Young and Mr. Shannon Jones, Water Services Director, answered.

Commissioners expressed concern about significant rate increases without an ongoing low-income assistance program already identified and available. They strongly encouraged an assistance program to be assessed for financial impact and feasibility of rollout.

- B. Overview of the 10-Year Housing Plan's 2024-2025 Implementation Plan
Information item only with an opportunity to provide comments.

Ms. Justyna Costa, Assistant Housing Director, presented on the 2024-2025 Implementation Plan for the 10-Year Housing Plan.

Commissioners asked questions about the goal of housing units created or preserved and how the identified strategies relate to the Housing Bond. Ms. Costa and Ms. Sarah Darr, Housing Director, answered.

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

- A. Update from Housing Authority Liaison

Ms. Darr gave an update on the Flagstaff Housing Authority Board's recent and upcoming activities.

B. Update from Housing Commissioners and Other Informational Items

Commissioners asked questions about recently passed legislature on Accessory Dwelling Units and middle housing regulations and the state of the City's downpayment assistance programs. Ms. Darr and Ms. Christina Rubalcava, Senior Assistant City Attorney, answered.

C. Update from Housing Staff

Ms. Jennifer Mikelson, Housing Planning Manager, and Ms. Marissa Molloy, Housing Specialist, gave updates on 2024 Area Median Income limits, Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan approval, and two home sales through the Affordable Homeownership Program.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Chair McLaughlin adjourned the meeting at 2:40 pm.

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING OF NOTICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing notice was duly posted at Flagstaff City Hall on _____, at _____ a.m./p.m. This notice has been posted on the City's website and can be downloaded at www.flagstaff.az.gov.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2024.

Adriana Fisher, Housing Program Manager