



## MINUTES

**Housing and Redevelopment Authority  
February 24, 2025 - 6:49 p.m.  
(following the Council Meeting)  
IGC - Mankato Room**

1. **Call Meeting to Order**

**Members Present:** Jessica Hatanpa, Kevin Mettler, Mike Laven, Dennis Dieken, Michael McLaughlin, Jenn Melby-Kelley, and Chair Najwa Massad.

**Staff Present:** Executive Director Susan Arntz, Community Development Director Mark Konz, Associate Director of Housing and Economic Development Nancy Bokelmann, and City Clerk Renae Kopischke.

2. **Approval of Agenda**

Ms. Hatanpa moved and Mr. McLaughlin seconded a motion to approve the agenda as written. The motion carried unanimously.

3. **Housing & Redevelopment Authority Business**

- A. On February 24, 2025, the Council of Mankato held a public hearing at its regular meeting on the topic of re-establishing the Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Mankato, Minnesota (HRA), and adopted enabling resolutions. Following discussion on the membership of the HRA, the Council adopted a resolution that included appointing the current members of the Council as members of the HRA. The resolution also set the February 24, 2025, meeting to follow the 6 pm Council Meeting for the organizational meeting of the HRA.

Organizational meeting of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Mankato, Minnesota.

Ms. Hatanpa moved and Mr. Mettler seconded a motion to nominate Mayor Massad as Chair and Mr. Laven as Vice Chair of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority, and to approve the Resolutions appointing the officers and staff of the HRA, and adopting the bylaws. The motion carried unanimously.

- B. Mr. Laven moved and Mr. Dieken seconded a motion to set the date of the public hearing to consider the conveyance of 49 units of public housing under the Section 18 Disposition Program to the City of Mankato and 130 units of Public Housing under the Section 9 Public Housing Program to the EDA of Mankato. The motion carried unanimously.

4. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, Ms. Hatanpa moved and Ms. Melby-Kelley seconded a motion to adjourn. With all members voting in favor, the meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Prepared by:

Approved by:

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Renae Kopischke  
City Clerk

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Najwa Massad  
Chair