

02-25-21 Minutes

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA FEBRUARY 25, 2021

As permitted under the Governor's Executive Order N-25-20, dated March 12, 2020 due to concerns of COVID-19 ("Executive Order"), the members of the Board of Commissioners will participate in the meeting via a teleconference connection at locations that may be located outside of the Agency's jurisdiction. Such locations shall not be publicly disclosed, nor shall such locations be open to the public as is expressly authorized by the Executive Order.

The Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the County of Santa Barbara met in special session on February 25, 2021 via teleconference. Chair Pearson convened the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

The following Commissioners were present: Christian Alonso, Lisa Knox-Burns, Robert Doyle, John Lizarraga, Henry Mercado and James Pearson. Larry Hobbisiefken was excused.

Also present were Robert P. Havlicek Jr., Secretary/Executive Director, Jackie Bordon, Executive Secretary, Irene Melton, Director of Finance, John Polanskey, Director of Housing Development, Sanford Riggs, Director of Operations, Irene Vejar, Director of Human Resources and Nancy Wesoff, Surf Development Director of Contract Administration and Compliance.

INTRODUCTIONS

The Executive Director introduced new First District Board member Christian Alonso.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Commissioner Doyle, second by Commissioner Burns to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of January 21, 2021. Commissioner Alonso abstained. All others voted aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No public comments were received.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Executive Director stated that he did not submit a written report this month, he was in Alaska for the birth of his third grandchild, Asher. He then shared the sad news that Father Jon Hedges passed away. This is a tough loss for us and the community. We owe Father Jon a debt of gratitude and will miss him dearly.

The Executive Director asked John Polanskey to give an update on Hollister Lofts and a recent Special Meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

APPROVAL OF OPERATION AND MANAGEMENT REPORTS

MOTION by Commissioner Mercado, second by Commissioner Lizarraga to approve the operation and management reports. All voted aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES

Resolution No. 2904 - Approval of Expenditure List as submitted, including meeting expenses. MOTION by Commissioner Lizarraga, second by Commissioner Doyle to adopt Resolution No. 2904. Irene Melton and Bob

Havlicek answered several questions related to expenditures. Commissioner Alonso abstained. All others voted aye. Motion carried.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

A letter of resignation from Commissioner Larry Hobbisiefken was accepted.

COMMISSIONERS' ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Doyle reported that he had visited the West Cox Cottages site and it looks outstanding. He thinks it will be an asset to the neighborhood. He also commended staff for the work that they do.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution No. 2905 - Approving Application to HUD SAC for approval of the Disposition of Real Property located in the City of Lompoc and the City of Guadalupe. MOTION by Commissioner Mercado, second by Commissioner Doyle to adopt Resolution No. 2905. Bob Havlicek explained the procedure for the benefit of our newest Commissioner. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 2906 - Authorizing the Executive Director or Designee to transfer the Central Plaza Apartments Project and its HAP Contract from the Housing Authority to Central Plaza Apartments Resyndication L. P. MOTION by Commissioner Lizarraga, second by Commissioner Mercado to adopt Resolution No. 2906. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 2907 - Authorization to open bank accounts for Central Plaza Apartments Resyndication L. P. MOTION by Commissioner Lizarraga, second by Commissioner Doyle to adopt Resolution No. 2907. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 2908 - Authorization to open bank accounts for Perkin Place L. P. MOTION by Commissioner Burns, second by Commissioner Lizarraga to adopt Resolution No. 2908. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 2909 - Authorization to open bank accounts for West Cox Cottages L.P. MOTION by Commissioner Lizarraga, second by Commissioner Mercado to adopt Resolution No. 2909. All voted aye. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION - Public Employee Performance Evaluation: Executive Director Pursuant to Government Code 54947.

The Board convened the Closed Session at 6:06 p.m. The open meeting was resumed at 6:46 p.m. The following action was taken in Closed Session: By unanimous vote, the Board approved a 5% of 2020 salary bonus for the Executive Director.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, MOTION by Commissioner Mercado, second by Commissioner Doyle to adjourn the meeting at 6:49 p.m. All voted aye. Meeting adjourned.

James E. Pearson
Chair

Robert P. Havlicek Jr.
Secretary/Executive Director