

03-18-21 Minutes

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA MARCH 18, 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 regular session on March 18, 2021 via teleconference. Vice-Chair Doyle convened the meeting at 5:05 p.m.

The following Commissioners were present: Christian Alonso, Lisa Knox-Burns, Robert Doyle, John Lizarraga and Henry Mercado. Due to technical difficulties, James Pearson 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

No introductions were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Commissioner Burns, second by Commissioner Mercado to approve the minutes of the special meeting of February 25, 2021. All voted aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No public comments were received.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Executive Director reintroduced all the Directors for the benefit of our newest Commissioner. He reported that a "re-opening committee", including Directors and Managers, had been formed and are working on a plan. Irene Vejar gave a presentation about vaccines and adjustments to be made prior to reopening our offices. We are monitoring all possible funding sources to assist those in need (i.e. CARES Funds, Emergency Housing Vouchers, HOME Funds, etc.). Our agency has many developments in process, so we are positioned to apply for funds as they become available.

APPROVAL OF OPERATION AND MANAGEMENT REPORTS

MOTION by Commissioner Lizarraga, second by Commissioner Alonso to approve the operation and management reports. All voted "Aye". Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES

Resolution No. 2910 - Approval of Expenditure List as submitted, including meeting expenses. MOTION by Commissioner Lizarraga, second by Commissioner Mercado to adopt Resolution No. 2910. Irene Melton

answered several questions related to expenditures; she will follow up on check no. 236 next month. All voted aye. Motion carried.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

The Noozhawk article about Father Jon Hedges was noted.

COMMISSIONERS' ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

There were no oral communications.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, MOTION by Commissioner Mercado, second by Commissioner Lizarraga to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 p.m. All voted aye. Meeting adjourned.

Robert Doyle
Vice-Chair

Robert P. Havlicek Jr.
Secretary/Executive Director