



CITY OF SANTA MONICA HOUSING COMMISSION MINUTES February 11, 2016



- 1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL:** A special meeting of the Santa Monica Housing Commission was called to order by Chair Hilton at 4:33 p.m. on Thursday, February 11, 2016, in the Community Meeting Room of the Santa Monica Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Boulevard.

Roll Call: Present: Chair Hilton, Vice-Chair Leavitt, Commissioner Bloch (arrived at 4:47pm), Commissioner Katz, Commissioner Soloff, Commissioner Buchanan (arrived at 4:37am), Commissioner Keintz

Absent: None

Also Present: Housing Manager Barbara Collins, Housing Administrator James Kemper, Housing Commission Secretary Seiky Gil

- 2. PUBLIC INPUT**

There was no input from members of the public.

- 3. ACTION ITEMS**

A. Exception Payment Standard Letter – Discussion and possible action regarding a proposal to send a letter to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development in support of the Santa Monica Housing Authority's request for an increase in the Exception Payment Standard used for rental housing voucher programs.

Chair Hilton and Commissioner Soloff each presented a draft letter for discussion and consideration.

Motion by Commissioner Bloch, seconded by Commissioner Buchanan, to approve and send Commissioner Soloff's letter to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The motion was approved unanimously with all members present.

B. AHPP Guidelines Revisions – Discussion and recommended action regarding proposed revisions to the Administrative Guidelines of the Affordable Housing Production Program (AHPP).

Motion by Commissioner Keintz, seconded by Soloff, to approve draft Administrative Guidelines of the Affordable Housing Production Program (AHPP) with recommendations provided by Commissioners.

The motion was approved unanimously with all member present.

- C. TORCA Loan Amendment** – Discussion and recommended action regarding a proposal to allow TORCA loan borrowers an option to extend their loan due dates until sale or transfer of their condominiums.

One speaker provided input on item 3C:

- Cris McLeod – Spoke regarding TORCA loan forgiveness to keep low-income home ownership in Santa Monica.

Commission requested that the staff return to the Commission for consideration of the alternative approaches to amending the remaining TORCA loans discussed at this meeting.

No action was taken on this item.

- D. Annual Work Plan/Retreat** – Review of past year's accomplishments, and discussion and direction regarding the development of a Commission retreat and Work Plan for 2016.

Commissioner Buchanan left the meeting at 7:33pm.

Commissioners indicated a preference for a facilitator, and narrowed the possible dates for a retreat to either April 2nd or April 23rd, depending on availability of a venue.

No action was taken on this item.

4. ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSING COMMISSION

On order of the Chair, the Housing Commission meeting was adjourned at 8:09pm.

The next scheduled Housing Commission meeting date is a regular meeting on Thursday, February 18, 2016.

ATTEST:



Richard Hilton
Chair, Housing Commission



Seiky Gil
Housing Commission Secretary