



CITY OF SANTA MONICA HOUSING COMMISSION MINUTES

June 20, 2019



1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

A regular meeting of the Santa Monica Housing Commission was called to order by Chair Soloff at 4:31 p.m. on Thursday, June 20, 2019, at the Ken Edwards Center, 1527 4th Street.

A. ROLL CALL

- **Present:** Chair Soloff
Vice Chair Hilton
Commissioner Bloch
Commissioner Buchanan
Commissioner Keintz
- **Absent:** Commissioner Katz
- **Staff Present:** Housing Manager, Barbara Collins
Housing Program Manager, Jim Kemper
Commission Secretary, Melinda Espinoza

2. PUBLIC INPUT

- Denise Barton

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of minutes for April 18, 2019 Housing Commission meeting.

Motion by Chair Soloff, seconded by Vice Chair Hilton, to approve the April 18, 2019 minutes.

The motion was approved by the following vote:

- AYES: Chair Soloff, Vice Chair Hilton, Commissioner Keintz,
Commissioner Bloch
- NOES: NONE
- ABSTAIN: Commissioner Buchanan
- ABSENT: Commissioner Katz

B. Approval of minutes for May 16, 2019 Housing Commission meeting.

Motion by Vice Chair Hilton, seconded by Chair Soloff, to approve the May 16, 2019 minutes.

The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Chair Soloff, Vice Chair Hilton, Commissioner Bloch,
Commissioner Buchanan

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Keintz

ABSENT: Commissioner Katz

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

None

5. ACTION ITEMS

A. POTENTIAL ADDITIONAL STUDIES OF HOUSING PRODUCTION

Discussion of potential additional studies of housing production using SB2 grant funds, including with respect to Accessory Dwelling Units, and possible action regarding recommendations to Planning Department and City Council.

Public Input:

- Denise Barton
- Catherine Eldridge

Motion by Commissioner Keintz, seconded by Vice Chair Hilton, with amendment by Chair Soloff accepted by the maker of the motion and the seconder, to reiterate that Santa Monica's goal, as set forth in the letter from Chair Soloff, is to not just generate housing but to take Proposition R goals into account and to consider emerging trends, such as co-living.

The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Chair Soloff, Vice Chair Hilton, Commissioner Bloch,
Commissioner Buchanan, Commissioner Keintz

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: Commissioner Katz

B. BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL

Discussion of recommendations to City Council on the budget, including (1) redirecting funds from existing HOUSE program to new purposes and (2) using Housing Trust Funds for new purposes, including hiring related to administration of the POD program and the City waiting list, and possible action regarding recommendations to the City Council.

Motion by Chair Soloff, seconded by Commissioner Buchanan, to recommend to Council that – in addition to the current budget proposals – the Council authorize the expenditure of Housing Trust Funds for an additional 1.0 FTE limited-term position for one year only to work solely on (1) implementing the proposed POD expansion and (2) implementing the mandate for the City alone to administer the waiting lists for all affordable housing programs in the City.

The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Chair Soloff, Vice Chair Hilton, Commissioner Bloch,
Commissioner Buchanan, Commissioner Keintz
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: Commissioner Katz

C. HOUSING AUTHORITY ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN

Discussion and possible action providing input regarding proposed discretionary revisions to the Housing Authority's Administrative Plan.

No action was taken.

D. WORK PLAN

Discussion of annual work plan and potential priorities, and possible action setting long-range agenda and work plan.

Motion by Chair Soloff, seconded by Commissioner Bloch, to create a subcommittee consisting of Chair Soloff and Commissioner Buchanan to address Pico gentrification.

The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Chair Soloff, Vice Chair Hilton, Commissioner Bloch,
Commissioner Buchanan, Commissioner Keintz
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: Commissioner Katz

6. HOUSING MANAGER'S REPORT

Housing Manager Barbara Collins reported on the following:

- The Housing Authority is moving forward with issuing Housing Choice vouchers for the Santa Monica Christian Towers and Westminster Towers.
- The City Council approved funding for the rehabilitation of the SAMOSHEL emergency shelter for persons experiencing homelessness.

7. CHAIR/COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

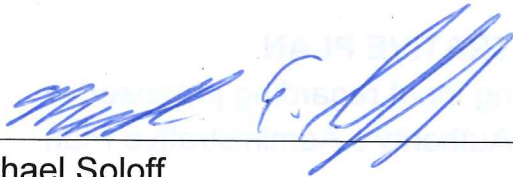
None.

8. ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSING COMMISSION

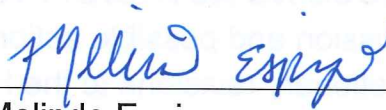
On the order of the Chair, the Housing Commission meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

The next regular Housing Commission meeting date is scheduled on Thursday, July 18, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.

ATTEST:



Michael Soloff
Chair, Housing Commission



Melinda Espinoza
Housing Commission Secretary