



## BROWARD HOUSING COUNCIL MINUTES

**CALL TO ORDER:** A special meeting of the Broward Housing Council was held on Monday, April 14, 2014, commencing at 1:01p.m., at the African American Research Library and Cultural Center (AARLCC), located at 2650 Sistrunk Boulevard, Seminar Room 2, Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

**ROLL CALL:** Roll call was conducted by Ms. Elizabeth Kersting.

**Council Members Present:**

Monica Navarro, Chair  
Richard Barkett  
Vice Mayor Caryl Hattan  
Richard Lemack  
Gino Moro  
Marcia Barry-Smith  
Frank Schnidman  
Henry Sniezek

**Council Members Absent**

Robert Baldwin  
Ann Deibert  
Frances Esposito  
George Castrataro  
Mercedes Nunez  
Dr. Rosalind Osgood  
Lisa Vecchi, Vice Chair  
Commissioner Lois Wexler

**Staff:**

Angela Chin  
Suzanne Fejes  
Mark Journey, Assistant County Attorney  
Elizabeth Kersting

Vena Palo  
Ralph Stone  
Michael Wright

**Guests**

Barbara Blake Boy, Broward County Planning Council

### OLD BUSINESS

**A. Amendment to the Administrative Rules Document: Broward County Land Use Plan**

Chair Navarro called the meeting to order. She acknowledged a lack of a quorum and provided a brief update regarding the amendment to the Administrative Rules Document: Broward County Land Use Plan. She stated that there was a consensus that members take a position to (1) approve establishing a uniform approach to the municipal housing studies; and (2) approve a standard payment in lieu of approach that would require a \$1.00 per gross square foot (gross floor area) payment based on the size of the residential dwelling unit in the applicable development. She mentioned supporting documents that were sent by staff to the Housing Council members for their review and deferred to Ms. Barbara Blake Boy, Director of Broward County Planning Council to provide an update.

Ms. Blake Boy provided a brief overview of what took place since her attendance of the last Housing Council Meeting on February 14, 2014. She mentioned several workshops that were held on February 17, March 10, and March 17, 2014, providing details in reference to their discussions regarding the Administrative Rules Document change for the implementation of Policy 1.07.07. She stated that the outcome and consensus that were met at those meetings were to support the changes that were made since February 14, 2014 and to eliminate the requirements for the employee data. She stated that two

options in reference to the in-lieu of fee payment per unit (1.25% of hard construction costs of the residential project or one dollar (\$1.00) per gross square foot of the residential unit) were brought before the Planning Council meeting held on March 27, 2014 which initiated their decisions and recommendation to support the \$1.00 per square foot of the residential dwelling unit.

There was a group discussion among Council members and staff in reference to the options provided to the municipalities in having an affordable housing study and the requirements of Policy 01.07.07. Mr. Schnidman made inquiries in reference to the \$1.00 per gross square foot of residential units stating that he did not see how much money was anticipated to be raised in-lieu of this effort and needed to know if these funds will remain in their respective municipality. Mr. Barkett inquired about the funds received by municipalities for new residential structures and was informed that moneys received by municipalities were earmarked for affordable housing. Chair Navarro inquired if there was a forecast. Ms. Blake Boy responded that it was very difficult to make a forecast, but she would be able to provide a history of affordable housing and commitments that were made at the County level. Mr. Stone also provided information regarding voluntary mitigation default and strategies implemented for the budget to support affordable housing.

After further discussion, the meeting was concluded with no motion for lack of a quorum. There was a consensus of support by members in attendance to; (1) approve establishing a uniform approach to the municipal housing studies; and (2) approve a standard payment in lieu of approach that would require a \$1.00 per gross square foot (gross floor area) payment based on the size of the residential dwelling unit in the applicable development.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

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