

SUMMARY MINUTES

BROWARD HOUSING COUNCIL **December 13, 2019- 10:00 AM** **African American Research Library and Cultural Center, Seminar Room 2** **2650 Sistrunk Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311**

Board Members Present

Marcia-Barry Smith, Chair	Heather Brinkworth	Ann Deibert
Howard Elfman	Hermes Garcia	Caryl Hattan, Vice-Chair
Gino Moro	Teneshia Taylor	

Board Members Absent

Ajibola Balogun	Frances Esposito	Mayor Dale V.C. Holness
Christopher Krzemien	Barbara Mendez	Ralph Stone
Lisa Vecchi	Beverly Williams	

County Staff

Jo Sesodia, Director, PDMD	Sue Carrano, PDMD/BHC Coordinator	Chris Flynn, PDMD
Alicia Lobeiras, CAO	Rebecca McGuire, HIP	Sue Fejes, HFCRD

Attendees who signed in

Juan Selaya	JAS Property Management
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1) CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting called to order at approximately 10:19 AM by Chair Marcia Barry-Smith. Roll call was taken by Sue Carrano. At this time, a quorum was not established. (Items approved during this meeting will be re-approved and/or ratified at the next regular meeting [with an established quorum]).

2) Chair's Report

Chair Barry-Smith thanked those who attended the Broward Housing Council Affordable Housing Workshop on November 7. A follow-up survey was sent to attendees and positive responses were received. She also commended staff on their work coordinating the event. Members were encouraged to sign up for affordable housing advocacy efforts by specific areas of interest. Barry-Smith will represent the Broward Housing Council and Habitat for Humanity during Broward Days in Tallahassee next month. Anyone interested in attending with the Broward Legislative Delegation should contact Andrea Knowles (954-357-6557).

3) Director's Report: Jo Sesodia

Ms. Sesodia introduced Alicia Lobeiras, Assistant County Attorney, who replaces Mark Journey as the County Attorney assigned to the BHC. Ms. Sesodia presented a Power Point subset from the County Commission's affordable housing workshop on November 5, 2019. The workshop proposed land use plan amendments and key land use policies affecting affordable housing, including an inclusionary zoning component. The Planning Council is accepting comments regarding these items and will hold a public workshop on January 16, 2020.

4) Public Comments

Juan Selaya, a realtor/ broker in Hollywood, voiced his concern about the impacts of rising housing costs on the local economy.



5) Approval of the August 23, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Motion: Ann Deibert moved to approve the minutes as presented. Caryl Hattan seconded. All in favor.

6) Approval of the November 7, 2019 Affordable Housing Workshop Minutes

Motion: Ann Deibert moved to approve the minutes as presented. Caryl Hattan seconded. All in favor.

7) New Business

- A) Approval of BHC 2020 Meeting Dates. **Motion:** Caryl Hattan moved to approve the 2020 meeting dates as presented. Ann Deibert seconded. All in favor.
- B) Approval of BHC Work Program for 2020. **Motion:** Ann Deibert moved to approve the 2020 Work Program, as corrected/formatted to include a missing bullet. Caryl Hattan seconded. All in favor.
- C) Proposed BHC Letter of Support to County Commissioners Regarding 2020 Legislative Items. **Motion:** Caryl Hattan moved to forward the letter as presented. Howard Elfman seconded. All in favor.
- D) Discuss BHC Participation in Urban League of Broward County Young Professionals Network Event. Marcia Barry-Smith received a request from the Urban League, asking for a BHC representative to speak about creating affordable housing opportunities on February 4, 2020. Hermes Garcia volunteered to participate on behalf of the BHC.

8) Old Business

None.

9) Homeless Initiative Partnership (HIP) Administrator's Report: Rebecca McGuire

Dr. Rebecca McGuire reported that the County's Point-in-Time (PIT) Count in January will be conducted with an app versus paper survey. Recruitment goal is 400 volunteers this year. United Way will highlight the CoC Landlord Recruitment Program during the January 17 Florida Panthers hockey game. The First Inaugural Landlord Appreciation Event was held on November 21 with over 100 in attendance; will do this again next year. The majority of members of a former homeless encampment at the Main Library, abated on November 26, 2018, were successfully placed in permanent and/or rapid rehousing.

Continuum of Care (CoC) Board Report: Vice-Chair Caryl Hattan

The CoC is holding a ceremony on December 17 at Hope South Florida, honoring the homeless who have died while living on the streets.

10) Next Housing Council Meeting

Friday, February 25, 2020 - 10 AM

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2650 Sistrunk Boulevard, Seminar Room 2, Fort Lauderdale, FL

11) Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 AM.

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