

## SUMMARY MINUTES

**BROWARD HOUSING COUNCIL**  
**Friday, June 26, 2020 - 10:00 AM**  
**WebEx Meeting No. 161 534 7441 / phone 1-415-655-0002**

### Board Members Present

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| Marcia-Barry Smith, Chair | Ajibola Balogun          | Heather Brinkworth        |
| Beth Daly                 | Ann Deibert              | Commissioner Lamar Fisher |
| Hermes Garcia             | Caryl Hattan, Vice-Chair | Christopher Krzemien      |
| Barbara Mendez            | Gino Moro                | Teneshia Taylor           |
| Lisa Vecchi               |                          |                           |

### Board Members Absent

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| Frances Esposito | Ralph Stone | Beverly Williams |
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### County Staff

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| Sue Carrano, PDMD                                  | Angela Chin, HFCRD | Alicia Lobeiras, CAO |
| Mabel Hurtado, Assistant to<br>Commissioner Fisher | Chris Flynn, PDMD  | Monique Davis, PDMD  |

### Other Attendees

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| Sandra Veszi Einhorn,<br>Coordinating Council of<br>Broward | Geter Nazareth |
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### 1) CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting called to order at approximately 10:01 AM by Chair Marcia Barry-Smith. Roll call was taken by Sue Carrano who confirmed that a quorum was present.

### 2) Approval of the May 29, 2020 Meeting Minutes

**Motion:** Vice-Chair Caryl Hattan moved to approve the minutes as presented. Ajibola Balogun seconded. All in favor.

### 3) Chair's Report

Chair Barry-Smith requested a moment of silence, recognizing victims of the COVID-10 pandemic and honoring essential personnel. The BHC 2019 Annual Report was accepted by the Board of County Commissioners on June 16, 2020 (ITEM 62); thank you to Commissioner Fisher for sponsoring this item. The US Census has extended its deadline by three months to October 31. Habitat for Humanity of Broward has masks available (up to 100 per request); please contact Sue Carrano if you are interested.

### 4) Director's Report

Sue Carrano provided the report for Jo Sesodia. Planning Council hearings have resumed and the remaining two (2) of four (4) County Land Use Plan Amendments related to affordable housing (PCT 20-3 and 20-4) were heard on June 25, 2020. Approval of both PCT 20-3 (Bonus Density) and PCT 20-4 (Residential in Commerce, Activity Center) was conditioned on a second public hearing and modified text language and conditions.

The Broward Housing Council 2020 Work Program includes sponsorship of an affordable housing workshop, which has historically been held in the Fall. Staff presented a list of potential topics identified as areas of interest by last year's workshop participants. Discussion points summarized as follows:

Date: Friday, October 23 (in lieu of regular meeting); half day - morning

Format: Virtual presentations, Q&A (via WebEx)

Theme: "Raising the Bar: Innovations in Affordable Housing" (other recommended: Strategies for Affordable Housing; Current and Future Strategies for Affordable Housing)

Potential Topics/Speakers:

- Housing + Transportation Link (Gretchen Cassini)
- Homelessness (Dr. Rebecca McGuire)
- Alternative Housing Types/Missing Middle Housing (Craig Vanderlann)
- Affordable Housing Trust Fund (Ralph Stone)

Staff will contact and verify presenters.

## 5) New Business

The floor was opened for nominations of BHC officers – Chair and Vice-Chair – in accordance with the BHC bylaws regarding Annual Election of Officers.

**Motion:** Ajibola Balogun nominated Marcia Barry-Smith to serve another one-year term as BHC Chair. Hermes Garcia seconded. (note: Marcia Barry-Smith recused herself from the vote.] All in favor. (note: Commissioner Fisher left the meeting at this point; 10:43 AM)

**Motion:** Marcia-Barry Smith nominated Caryl Hattan to serve another one-year term as BHC Vice-Chair. Ajibola Balogun seconded. All in favor.

Member Gino Moro proposed that the BHC bylaws be modified to change the appointed member category Florida Association of Mortgage Brokers to Florida Association of Mortgage **Professionals**, in accordance with the definition included in FS Chapter 494. Alicia Lobeiris, County Attorney's Office, stated that this would require a change to the County Charter through referendum.

## 6) Old Business

None.

## 7) Public Comments

Sandra Veszi Einhorn, Coordinating Council of Broward, announced the passage of HB 1339 (Community Affairs), which authorizes local governments to approve the development of affordable housing on any parcel zoned for residential, commercial, or industrial use; enables local governments to create a linkage fee to fund affordable housing; and converts the Workforce Housing Innovation Pilot program into a permanent loan program administered by the FHFC. She gave an overview of Florida's funding through the CARES Act, which stipulates that each state receives at least \$1.28 billion of the \$150 billion provided to the Coronavirus Relief Fund. Florida's allocation is \$8.32 billion, which will be disbursed among the counties.

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

None.

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

Caryl Hattan reported that the 2020 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count is now available. This year's report shows the number of homeless in Broward County has decreased since 2019; however, the areas within the county impacted by homelessness extended further south and west.

## 9) Next Housing Council Meeting Friday, August 28, 2020 - 10 AM via WebEx

## **10) Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 11:06 A.M.

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