

## SUMMARY MINUTES

### BROWARD HOUSING COUNCIL Friday, June 23, 2023 - 10:00 AM Broward County Government Center East, Rm. 430, Fort Lauderdale, FL

#### Board Members Present

Ajibola Balogun	Marcia Barry-Smith, Chair	Michele Collie
Beth Daly	Frances Esposito	Caryl Hattan, Vice-Chair
Parnell Joyce	Gino Moro	Nathan Perlmutter
Commissioner Hazelle P. Rogers	Ralph Stone	Lisa Vecchi

#### Board Members Absent

Sarah Leonardi	Christopher Krzemien	Teneshia Taylor
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#### County Staff

Jo Sesodia, UPD	Annika Ashton, CAO	Karina Rodrigues, CAO
Sue Fejes, HFD	Sue Carrano, UPD	Keith Darby, UPD

#### Other Attendees

Edith Bynes, Fort Lauderdale CDC	Nettie Williams, Fort Lauderdale CDC	Craig Vanderlaan, Crisis Housing Solutions
Donna DiMaggio Berger, Esq., Becker Lawyers	Julie Carrozzi, Becker Lawyers	

#### 1) CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 AM by Chair Marcia Barry-Smith. Roll call was taken by Sue Carrano who confirmed that a quorum was present.

#### 2) Guest Presentation: New Condo Safety Legislation (Senate Bill 154)

Ms. Donna DiMaggio Berger, Esq., Becker Lawyers, discussed the new legislation regarding condominium (condo) safety regulations and their impact on condo boards and residents. This modifies SB 4-D (2022) which requires condominium and cooperative associations to have milestone inspections performed on certain buildings every 25 years. SB 154 exempts certain buildings within 3 miles of the coast from milestone inspections every 25 years, changing it to every 30 years unless the local enforcement agency justifies an earlier inspection.

#### 3) Approval of the April 28, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes

**Motion:** Ajibola Balogun moved to approve the minutes as presented. Beth Daly seconded. All in favor.

#### 4) Discussion of Letter from BHC to County Commissioners Regarding Proposed Charter Amendments

Jo Sesodia, Director, UPD, stated that the BHC voted at its April 28 meeting to support proposed Charter amendments that remove the existing BHC membership categories and enable the Board of County Commissioners to adopt new, updated categories by ordinance. The next step is official transmittal of this request by the BHC to the Board asking them to consider adding this item to the 2024 General Election. Marty Cassini, Manager of the Intergovernmental Affairs/Boards Section, County Administration, explained the functions of the Section. He introduced Naomie Labaty, Boards Administrator who is responsible for the County's advisory boards. Most advisory boards may request changes/updates to their membership every four years through the Sunset Review process. However, the BHC is subject to the Charter and is not subject to this review.

**Motion:** Ajibola Balogun moved to forward the letter as presented to the Board of County Commissioners to initiate the Charter amendment process. Seconded by Michele Collie. All in favor.

### **5) Discussion of BHC Fall Workshop: Theme and Speakers**

Jo Sesodia, Director, UPD, announced that the workshop is scheduled for 8 AM-12 PM, Wed., November 15, 2023 at Anne Kolb Nature Center. This was the site of the last in-person BHC workshop in 2019.

Ideas generated by discussion regarding the workshop theme and possible speakers:

- *Theme* – Live Local Broward. Panels will focus on the major components of SB 102: Land Use; Financing; and Property Taxes.
- *Welcoming Remarks* – Commissioner Hazelle Rogers
- *Keynote Speaker* – Senator Alexis Calatayud (to be verified by Chair)
- *Other Speakers & Topics* – Dr. Ned Murray as panelist (10 Year Affordable Housing Master Plan); Ralph Stone as panelist; Corporate Tax Credit as a topic

BHC members are encouraged to serve as panelists; those interested should contact Ms. Sesodia. Staff will prepare a Save the Date to be issued later this summer. Ms. Sesodia noted that future workshop discussion will be included as an agenda item under Old Business.

### **6) Chair's Report**

Chair Barry-Smith requested that BHC members share any news about their organization. Frances Esposito, Broward Partnership, reported that half of the 72 affordable units in Seven on Seventh are full. Her agency partnered with Green Mills on this development and the official ribbon cutting will be September 14.

### **7) New Business**

None.

### **8) Old Business**

None.

### **9) Public Comments**

None.

### **10) Housing Options, Solutions and Support (HOSS) Division Report**

Dr. Rebecca McGuire, Director of HOSS, reported on the agency's current initiatives.

### **11) Adjournment.**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 AM.

### **12) Next Meeting:** 10 AM, Friday, August 25, 2023, Room 430, Broward County Government Center East, located at 115 S. Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale

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