# **SUMMARY MINUTES**

# **BROWARD HOUSING COUNCIL**

February 15, 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 Caryl Hattan, Vice-Chair Ann Deibert

Howard Elfman Frances Esposito Vice-Mayor Dale Holness

Chris Krzemien Barbara Mendez Gino Moro
Ralph Stone Teneshia Taylor Beverly Williams

**Board Members Absent** 

Ajibola Balogun Heather Brinkworth Lisa Vecchi

**County Staff** 

Jo Sesodia, Director Sue Carrano, Coordinator Chris Flynn, PDMD/BHC

Javier Navas, CAO

Attendees who signed in

Marie Chung-Malcolm, Jonathan Salas, City of Nika Langevin, Research

Habitat for Humanity of Deerfield Beach Specialist, FIU

Broward

Katrina Wright, Bank United Earl Burks, KSB Services, Dr. Ned Murray, FIU

LLC

#### I) CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting called to order at approximately 10:04 AM by Chair Marcia Barry-Smith. Roll call was taken by Sue Carrano and a quorum was present. The Chair requested a moment of silence in observance of the Parkland school massacre which occurred one year ago. Following this, the meeting proceeded per the published agenda.

## 2) Approval of the December 13, 2018 Meeting Minutes

**Motion:** Ann Deibert moved to approve the minutes as presented. Howard Elfman seconded. All in favor.

### 3) Chair's Report

Chair Barry-Smith provided an update regarding advocacy efforts for housing related legislation. The representatives on The Hill seem to be well educated about the issues. Governor DeSantis has proposed full funding for affordable housing in the amount of \$352.4 billion.

The councilmembers shared their involvement with other organizations that also support and/or advocate for affordable housing.

Members are encouraged to submit housing related items for the quarterly newsletter. The inclusion of a new member feature and BHC member-written stories for future newsletter editions was recommended.

Approved:

# 4) Director's Report: Jo Sesodia

Jo Sesodia introduced Dr. Ned Murray from the FIU Metro Center, who has been under contract with the County to produce the Affordable Housing Needs Assessment update.

#### 5) New Business

The key findings from the 2018 Affordable Housing Needs Assessment update were presented by Dr. Ned Murray, AICP, Associate Director of Florida International University - Metropolitan Center. Staff will email the draft report and Dr. Murray's contact information to the BHC for review. Members are encouraged to submit any questions and comments directly to Dr. Murray.

#### 6) Old Business

None.

#### 7) Public Comments

None.

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

None.

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

Vice-Chair Hattan announced that Chair Barry-Smith will receive the Lifetime Achievement Award on February 22 at the Annual Community Care Plan Non-Profit Awards Ceremony in Davie.

# 9) Next Housing Council Meeting

Friday, April 26, 2019, 10:00AM

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#### 10) Adjournment

**Motion:** Caryl Hattan motioned for adjournment. Gino Moro seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 11:41 am.

**Purpose:** To serve in an advisory capacity to the County Commission and to facilitate coordination between the County, municipalities, the business community and not-for-profit groups to address housing issues including, but not limited to, affordable housing, workforce housing and homelessness. The Council shall submit an annual report to the County Commission and other organizations represented by the Council.

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