



EQUAL HOUSING
OPPORTUNITY

Brevard County Affordable Housing Advisory Committee

Regular Meeting Minutes

4:30 PM Thursday, February 17, 2022

County Government Center, Atlantic Room, Building C, Viera, FL

CHAIR: Corey Lancaster

MEMBERS PRESENT: Corey Lancaster, Rita Pritchett, Brenda Burton, Cynthia Matthews, Josh Thompson

MEMBER'S ABSENT: Ronnie Brewer, Mark Broms, Carole Williams-Hayes

BREVARD COUNTY STAFF: Linda Graham, Alan Woolwich

Summary Minutes

Call to Order/Introductions: Meeting called to order at 4:35 pm by Corey Lancaster.

Meeting Minutes: December 2, 2021. Motion to approve by Josh Thompson, Second by Cynthia Matthews. Motion approved unanimously.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: None.

Discussion:

Committee Member Reappointments. Linda Graham shared that current members can remain serving on the AHAC until new appointments or reappointments are made by the Board of County Commissioners.

Election of Committee Chair & Vice Chair. Tabled.

HUD Consolidated Plan, HOME Policies & Procedures and Fair Housing.

Cloudburst Consultants. Linda Graham reported on the status of the planning and policies updates that are underway with the contracted consultants in 2022.

Shimberg Center, University of Florida, Resiliency Study on Impacts to Low Income Communities and Housing Inventory in Brevard County. Alan Woolwich reported on the regional planning and study efforts to evaluate potential impacts to affordable housing inventory and public infrastructure from the effects of sea level rise. The plan will help identify areas and housing most at risk that could benefit from various forms of mitigation and possibly be eligible for funding resources to assist with physical improvements.

Additional Affordable Housing Incentives Strategies for inclusion to Brevard County Codes. Alan Woolwich shared that the required annual incentives report was sent on to the Board of County Commissioners who approved it on December 21, 2021. The report has been sent and received by the State SHIP Program. Staff will continue working on the incentives identified in the report with the Committee and other County Departments in 2022.

Staff Reports: Brevard County Housing and Human Services Department

Alan Woolwich reported on the status of the Hope Hammock Rental Housing Project in Titusville with Community of Hope and the on the status of the septic tank replacement project for Housing for Homeless at their project on Grissom Parkway.

Linda Graham reported to the Committee on the status of affordable housing providers currently requesting assistance with funding for local government contributions in relation to Tax Credit and SAIL Loan applications. She shared that future RFPs are being developed for the distribution of funding from State and Federal providers. The greatest needs locally are in rental housing. She asked for feedback from the Committee on rental housing being the priority to address needs in use of housing program funds. The members of the Committee unanimously agreed. There was also discussion about the use of a Community Land Trust for County projects to help keep units affordable for longer periods of time. Staff will arrange for additional technical assistance on development and use of Land Trusts for presentation to the AHAC.

Public Comment: There were no Speaker Cards. No Public Comments.

A motion to adjourn the regular meeting was made by Brenda Burton. Second by Josh Thompson. Approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM.

Next Meeting Scheduled: March 17, 2022, Building C, County Government Center, Viera, FL


Chairman


Date