

# Housing Authority of the County of San Diego Resident Advisory Board Meeting

Thursday December 9th 2021 | 9:30AM-11:00AM

Microsoft Teams

**Meeting Minutes** 

#### **Order of Business**

#### Attendees:

Housing Authority: (4) A. McCall, M. Mercier, R. Ramirez, S. Moore

<u>Resident Advisory Board</u>: C. Wollas, D. Simpson, A. Acosta, S. Rodriguez, R. Jacobs, M. McKell, A. Reyes, C. Castillo

<u>Visitors:</u> Forty-Three Members of the public including Housing Authority Residents and participants identified either by meeting name or telephone number

Meeting Called to Order at 9:38 AM by Chairperson Carol Wollas affirming a quorum. All members present.

## **Agenda**

- I. Informational Item Presentation: RAB Information (Monique Mercier)
  - a. **General RAB information:** Discussed in detail how the Resident Advisory Board is constructed, appointed members, and when meetings occur.
  - b. **Agency Plan:** Presentation on the three parts of the plan including the five-year goals and objectives, annual administrative plan, and continued occupancy policy.
    - Goals and Objectives: Presentation on how to maintain and expand affordable housing for those in need, promote FSS, maintain excellent customer service, and build resilient infrastructure.
  - c. HCV Administrative Plan: Presentation on local policies and requirements. Reminder of the COVID-19 waivers and flexibilities that are ending at the end of the year, and certain funding restrictions coming soon.
- II. Informational Item Presentation: Public Housing Repositioning (Anthony McCall)
  - a. **Public Housing Program:** Gave background information on program and specific properties in county.
  - b. **Public Housing Funding Sources Fiscal Year 20-21:** Discussed past and current budgets and compared deficit amounts of previous fiscal years.
  - c. **Need for Repositioning:** Discussed public housing repositioning options, needs for repositioning, next steps, and a potential repositioning timeline.

- d. **Repositioning Options:** Discussed repositioning streamline conversion and how residents' consent would be required.
- e. **Timeline:** Targeted date to submit applications is May 1<sup>st</sup> 2022, but noted it could be sooner than the targeted date, and explained how long the process would take.

## Questions/ Comments (Monique Mercier, Anthony McCall):

Floor opened for general attendee comments. Public provided comments for more clarification on repositioning plan and how it would affect public housing residents.

### III. Leasing Process Overview (Robin Ramirez)

- a. **HACSD Jurisdiction and Overview:** Attendees were reminded of HACSD's jurisdiction and the jurisdictions of the five other public housing authorities, and the leasing process for HACSD.
- b. **Rental Subsidy Determination:** Rental subsidy determinations were discussed including the payment standard, tenant portion, and the housing assistance payment.
- c. Payment Standards and Utility allowance: Payment standards and utilities were presented on including how to access the payment standard chart and other pertinent information online. Attendees were notified that a reevaluation of payment standards was being conducted and payment standards would remain the same while the reevaluation occurred.
- d. **Rent Reasonableness:** A presentation on rent reasonableness was given including determinations and criteria for determinations.

#### e. Questions/ comments (Robin Ramirez)

Floor opened to general attendee comments. Public provided comments regarding further clarification on the repositioning plan and how it would affect public housing residents.

Resources: HACSD website: www.sdhcd.org

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**HCDS Ombudsperson:** HCDS\_RA\_OMBUDSPERSON.HHSA@SDCOUNTY.CA.GOV **for all other housing authority inquiries** 

## IV. Meeting Adjournment

Chairperson Carol Wollas adjourned the meeting at 10:44AM

Next meeting date to be determined and posted on the designated HCDS webpage for the Resident Advisory Board.