



Housing Authority of the County of San Diego

Resident Advisory Board Meeting

Wednesday, May 31, 2023 | 10:00AM-11:30AM

IN PERSON | Microsoft Teams

Meeting Minutes

Order of Business

Attendees:

Housing Authority: (12) R. Ramirez, M. Mercier, A. Ricciardi, M. Galvan, G. Rabago, E. Delfierro, J. Cruz, L. DeLaughter, N. Varshay, P. Hodges, C. Alvarez, M. Romo Villeda

Resident Advisory Board (4) A. Acosta, S. Rodriguez, R. Jacobs, M. McKell

Visitors: Twenty-five Members of the public including Housing Authority Residents and participants, identified either by meeting name or telephone number

Meeting Called to Order at 10:11 AM by Chairperson Stacie Rodriguez affirming a quorum. Darlene Simpson was virtually present.

Agenda

I. RAB Overview and Call to Order (Monique Mercier)

a. RAB Business:

- i. House rules for meeting
- ii. 02-08-2023 Meeting Minutes- Approved
- iii. Teleconferencing- Board members must be present in person. Visitors have the option to participate in person or virtually

II. Presentation: Fiscal Year Budget Overview (Elizabeth Delfierro)

a. **Operations:** Housing Authority administers 11,000 vouchers, there are 5 Public Housing sites; assistance is being provided to over 23,000 individuals and contribute over \$15 million each month into the local economy through payments to landlords.

b. Programs:

- i. **Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8)** – Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH), Project-Based Vouchers (PBVs) and Family Unification Program (FUP) – Child Welfare Services (CWS) Families and youth.
- ii. **Mainstream** – Non-elderly Disabled.
- iii. **Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV)** – Persons Experiencing Homelessness.
- iv. **Moderate Rehabilitation** – Low – income household.
- v. **Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA).**
- vi. **Home Emancipated Foster Youth**

- vii. **HOME Substance Abuse Treatment (Family reunification)**
 - viii. **Bringing Families Home - CWS Families**
 - ix. **Local Rental Subsidy Program (LRSP) – Persons Experiencing Homelessness.**
 - c. **Household Profile:** Households served include elderly and/or disabled, working families which may include children in the home, veterans and previously homeless.
 - d. **Recommended Budget-Expenditures/Revenues:**
 - i. **Appropriations: \$238.9 Million:** Housing assistance \$235.4M, Public Housing \$2.8M and Other Housing Programs \$0.7M
 - ii. **Revenue by Funding Source: \$238.9 Million:** Intergovernmental Revenue \$227.8M, Charges for Current Services \$6.5M, Miscellaneous Revenues \$2.5M, Revenue from Use of Money and Property \$1.3M and Housing Authority Administrative Reserves \$0.8M.
 - iii. **Recommended Budget:** Net increase of \$35 Million or 17.2% from last year's adopted budget. The most significant change is the increase in Housing Assistance category by \$34.7 million, which will be covered by federal funds.
- III. Presentation: New Federal Rules – HOTMA (Monique Mercier)**
- a. **Section 102: Income Revisions**
 - i. **Earned Income Disregard Phase Out**
 - ii. **Increase in Standard Deduction for Elderly/Disabled Households**
 - iii. **Increase in medical expense threshold.**
 - iv. **Fewer income related interims**
 - b. **Section 103: Income Limit (Public Housing):**
 - i. **Mandatory Requirements**
 - 1. **Time period: 24 consecutive months**
 - 2. **Noticing: written notice within 30 days of income reexam**
 - 3. **Effective date: no later than 6 months from noticing date**
 - ii. **Discretionary Policy Options**
 - 1. **Effective date of termination from time of noticing**
 - 2. **No later than 6 months from noticing date**
 - 3. **As early as 30 days from noticing date**
 - c. **Section 104: Asset Limits:**
 - i. **\$100,000 asset limit for Eligibility and continued assistance**
 - ii. **Included: Real Property suitable for occupancy**
 - iii. **Excluded: Retirement and Educational Savings Accounts**
 - iv. **Self-certification of Assets under \$50,000**
- IV. Public Questions/Comments/Resources**
- a. Floor opened to general attendee comments. Public asked questions regarding Budget.
 - b. Appointed Board had no official comment for the Agency Plan.
 - c. Resources:
 - Ombudsperson: hc ds_ra_ombudsperson.hhsa@sdcounty.ca.gov
- V. Meeting Adjournment**
- a. Chairperson Stacy Rodriguez adjourned the meeting at 10:44 AM

Next meeting date tentatively scheduled for September 14, 2023.