

MINUTES OF THE
HOLLYWOOD HOUSING AUTHORITY
HELD
SEPTEMBER 20, 2012
AT THE HOLLYWOOD HOUSING AUTHORITY OFFICE

Present: Mr. Lloyd Edelstein, Vice Chairman
Ms. Debra McGowan, Commissioner
Mr. James Moore – Resident Commissioner

Also Present: Mr. Tim Schwartz, Executive Director – Hollywood Housing Authority
Ms Kathy Chopard, Recording Secretary
Mr. Ellen Itzler – Itzler and Itzler

Absent: Mr. Martin Schlosberg, Chairman
Mr. David Dweck, Commissioner

Board Meeting was called to order at 5:10PM and roll was called.

A motion was made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Ms McGowan approving the September 20, 2012 Agenda for this meeting. Roll call vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Ms McGowan, seconded by Mr. Moore approving the minutes of the August 16, 2012, Board Meeting. Roll call vote was unanimous.

RESOLUTION AND COMMUNICATION

Resolution #379 - Approval of the Changes to Section 8 Utility Allowance as of November 1, 2012 – Mr. Schwartz stated that this approval is needed to be done annually. For the past five years the Hollywood Housing Authority has used Nelrod, a company that specializes in this type of research. He also noted that this change effects both Section 8 and Public Housing Utility allowance. He explained that the difference would have to be more than 10% either plus or minus in order for the Housing Authority to make any changes in their utility allowance. A motion was made by Mr. Moore seconded by Ms McGowan to approve Resolution 379. Roll call vote was unanimous.

Resolution #380 – Approval of Hollywood Housing Authority Payment Standard of 100% of the Fair Market Rent as of October 1, 2012. Mr. Schwartz stated that basically the Fair Market Rent list that was given to the Board is the exact amount that HUD publishes the numbers that should be used. The Hollywood Housing Authority wants to continue paying 100% of the Fair Market Rent. Staying at 100% should allow Hollywood Housing Authority to not run out of funds by the end of the year while affording reasonable rent to incur the ability of tenants to lease. Ms McGowan made a motion seconded by Mr. Moore to accept Resolution #380. Roll call vote was unanimous.

In regard to an amendment to the Hollywood Housing By Laws allowing the Board to expand in numbers – Mr. Schwartz stated that he contacted Mr. Davon Barbour, Community Development of the City of Hollywood regarding the process of expanding the Board and asked if he would be the person to contact regarding this. Mr. Barbour said that he would not be that person. He recommended going to the City Clerk to get a date to go before the City.

Ms Itzler stated that the Housing Authority currently has a five member Board with one resident member. Ms Itzler noted that usually Boards consist of odd numbers to avoid tie situations when voting. When Mr. Schwartz approached Ms Itzler with the Board considering expanding and to expand would mean two more members bringing the Board to seven. Ms Itzler stated that before she approached the City with this expansion she would need to know if the Board wanted to expand to six or seven members. Ms Itzler recommended seven members. Ms Itzler also noted that the Housing Authority Board can discuss this but it would not be effective until the City Commission approved it. Mr. Edelstein suggested tabling this discussion until Mr. Schlosberg is present at the meeting for October.

Mr. Schwartz said that he is also waiting to hear from Mr. Plonskier from Gatehouse regarding the Apollo project. Mr. Edelstein asked that the Apollo project be placed on the October meeting.

Mr. Schwartz noted that regarding Lincoln Street – by October 1, there will be 25 units rehabbed and rented.

In regard to the one unit from the Lease/Purchase Program on 7140 Allen Street it has become necessary to evict that tenant due to non-payment of rent.

MONTHLY REPORTS

There were no comments.

SECRETARY/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

There were no comments.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC

There were no comments.


ADJOURNMENT

Ms McGowan made a motion seconded by Mr. Moore to adjourn this meeting which was passed without dissent at 6:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Schwartz
Executive Director

Approved:


Lloyd Edelstein
Vice Chairman

