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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF AUSTIN, MINNESOTA

1.) Roll Call.

Date & Time: September 27, 2022 @ 3:30 PM

Commissioners Present: Vern Lippert

Michael Postma Joe Fuhrman Paul Fischer Carole Granholm

HRA Staff Present: Taggert Medgaarden, Executive Director

Lori Gansen, Administrative Assistant Angela Maiden, Finance Director

There being a quorum, the meeting was called to order by Chair Lippert.

2.) Approve Meeting Minutes of August 23, 2022 Regular Meeting

It was moved by Commissioner Postma and seconded by Commissioner Fischer to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on August 23, 2022. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

3.) Review Accounts Payable/Financial Statements

It was moved by Commissioner Fischer and seconded by Commissioner Fuhrman to authorize payment of the list of accounts payable. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

4.) Public Housing & Section 8

a. Approve Resolution 651—New Section 8 HCV Payment Standards Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Postma and Fischer to approve Resolution 651—New Section 8 HCV Payment Standards. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

- b. Approve Resolution 652—Increase Public Housing Flat Rents
 Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Fischer and Postma to approve Resolution
 652—Increase Public Housing Flat Rents. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.
- c. Approve Resolution 653—Write off Vacated Tenant Bad Debt Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Postma and Fuhrman to approve Resolution to Write off Vacated Tenant Bad Debt. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.
- d. Approve Resolution 654—Adopt Budget for Public Housing: Twin Towers, Pickett Place & Scattered Sites FYE 9/30/2023

Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Fischer and Fuhrman to approve Resolution 654 to Adopt the Budget for Public Housing: Twin Towers, Pickett Place & Scattered Sites FYE 9/30/2023. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

5.) Market Rate Housing

6.) Executive Director Reports

a. Executive Director Review and Wage Increase Recommendation
Chair Lippert addressed the Board in regards to the review of Executive Director (ED)
Medgaarden by himself and the other Board officers, Co-chair Postma and Secretary Fischer. It
was recommended by them that they match the wage increase of 6% given to the staff for ED
Medgaarden. Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Fischer and Postma to approve
the 6% wage increase for Executive Director Medgaarden. All present voted in favor thereof,
none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

b. HRA Goals

Some discussion was made about the Goals of the HRA; those we've accomplished and those upcoming. Executive Director Medgaarden will update the current list and will be addressed again at a future meeting. Members of the Board were encouraged to bring their thoughts and ideas forth at that time as well.

7.) Staff Spotlight—Shannon Ferch

Shannon very recently joined the HRA staff as the new Procurement Specialist. She introduced herself to the Board and gave a little insight into her background and was very enthusiastic about the new opportunity. Shannon has a long history in Austin with many contacts making her a great fit for the new position. Welcome Shannon.

8.) Adjourn There being no further business it was moved by Commissioner Fischer and seconded by Commissioner Postma to adjourn the meeting. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.	
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Paul Fischer, Secretary