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

1.) Roll Call.

Date & Time: June 18, 2024

Commissioners Present: Vern Lippert
Mike Postma
Paul Fischer
Geoff Baker
Tim Ruzek
Marsha Podein

HRA Staff Present: Taggart Medgaarden, Executive Director
Lori Gansen, Administrative Assistant
Angela Maiden, Financial Director

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

2.) Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Commissioner Baker and seconded by Commissioner Postma to approve minutes of the regular meeting held on May 28, 2024. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

3.) Approval of Accounts Payable

It was moved by Commissioner Baker and seconded by Commissioner Fischer 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. Public Hearing---PHA Annual Plan FYE 2025, 5-Year Capital Fund Grant adding 2029 and PHA 5-Year Plan

Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Postma and Fischer to open the Public Hearing. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

Discussion was held regarding the Resolution #s 668, 669 & 670 in reference to the Annual Plan, the 5-Year Capital Fund Grant and the 5-Year Plan 2025-2029. Once there was no further discussion, motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Baker and Ruzek to close the Public Hearing. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was

declared passed and carried.

b. Approve Resolution #669 to adopt the 5-Year Capital Fund Grant adding 2029
Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Baker and Ruzek to approve Resolution #669 to adopt the 5-Year Capital Fund Grant adding 2029. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

c. Approve Resolution # 668--Annual Plan FYE 2025
Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Postma and Baker to approve Resolution # 668—Annual Plan FYE 2025. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

d. Approve Resolution #670—PHA 5-Year Plan 2025-2029
Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Ruzek and Fischer to approve Resolution #670—PHA 5-Year Plan. 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. Approve Hormel Grant requests

Executive Director Medgaarden outlined his proposed request for the Hormel Grants: First is an affordable housing project with an ask for funding of \$900,000 from the Hormel Foundation.

Second is funding for our Child Care Grant program with an ask of \$10,000.

Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Baker and Fischer to approve the Hormel Grant requests. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

b. Update on current happenings: Trees, vent cleaning at CY & CA, etc.

Executive Director Medgaarden informed the Board of some of the current happenings: there was some discussion about the process of deciding which of the Ash trees to treat and when, and also which will need to be taken down and to what cost. ED Medgaarden also spoke about the vent cleaning going on at our Market Rate units. This will now be a project that will be built into a more regular schedule. Ed Medgaarden also informed the Board that to date there were no offers on the Riverland House.

7.) Adjourn

After completion of all agenda items and verification all business items were completed, Chair Lippert adjourned the meeting.

SEAL

Vernon Lippert, Chair

Paul Fischer, Secretary

