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

1.) Roll Call.

Date & Time: September 19, 2024

Commissioners Present: Vernon Lippert
 Mike Postma
 Paul Fischer
 Geoff Baker
 Tim Ruzek
 Oballa Oballa (3:50)

HRA Staff Present: Taggert Medgaarden, Executive Director
 Angela Maiden, Finance Director
 Lori Gansen, Administrative Assistant

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 Fischer to approve minutes of the regular meeting held on August 27, 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 Postma and seconded by Commissioner Baker 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. Resolution # 673—Write off Bad Debts

Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Baker and Postma to approve Resolution #673 to write off the bad tenant debt for FYE 09-30-2024. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

b. Resolution #674—Approve Flat Rents for PH

Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Baker and Fischer to approve Resolution #674 to Approve the Flat Rents for PH effective 10-01-2024. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

c. Resolution #675—Approve Section 8 Payment Standards

Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Postma and Fischer to approve Resolution #675 to Approve the Section 8 Payment Standards effective 10-01-2024. 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 HRA General Fund Operating Budget

Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Baker and Ruzek to approve the HRA General Operating Budget. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

b. Approve Purchase Agreement for PIN 34.100.1050 (402 2nd Ave SE)

Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Baker and Postma to approve the Purchase Agreement for PIN 34.100.1050 (402 2nd Ave SE). All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

c. Executive Director Review

Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Baker and Postma to close the public meeting to discuss the Executive Director Review. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Baker and Postma to reopen the meeting. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Postma and Baker to approve new salary bands for the Executive Director position. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

Motion was then made and seconded by Commissioners Postma and Oballa to approve a 4% raise for Executive Director Medgaarden. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

7.) Adjourn

Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Baker and Oballa 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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Vernon Lippert, Chair

Paul Fischer, Secretary