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

1.) Roll Call.

Date & Time: January 28, 2025

Commissioners Present: Vernon Lippert
 Mike Postma
 Paul Fischer
 Rebecca Waller
 Tim Ruzek
 Oballa Oballa

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

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

2.) Election of Officers

Election of officers, Chair Lippert, Co-Chair Postma and Secretary Paul Fischer, all will remain in their positions. Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Ruzek and Oballa to approve the officers as stated. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

Executive Director Medgaarden welcomed new commissioner and gave a summary of the HRA mission and explained its goals. He also outlined some of the prior work that the HRA has been involved in.

3.) Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Commissioner Fischer and seconded by Commissioner Waller to approve minutes of the regular meeting held on December 19, 2024. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

4.) Approval of Accounts Payable

It was moved by Commissioner Ruzek and seconded by Commissioner Postma 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.

a. Approve ACH Transfer Duties

Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Ruzek and Oballa to approve ACH transfer duties for Finance Director Angela Maiden and Section 8 Specialist Julie Ackland. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

5.) Public Housing & Section 8

a. Approve Change order #3—Twin Tower Door Project

Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Fischer and Postma to approve Change order #3 on the Twin Towers Door Project adding 25 doors, Frames and closers to the project in the amount of \$105,700. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

6.) Market Rate Housing

7.) Executive Director Reports

a. Potential Redevelopment areas

Executive Director Medgaarden spoke to the Board about some of the ideas and thoughts as to what can be done with some of the vacant lots that the HRA holds. More information on this to come in future meetings.

b. Federal Funding

Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Oballa and Ruzek to approve the transfer of \$50,000 from our reserves to fund our Section 8 program in the case of a government freeze. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

8.) Adjourn

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

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Vernon Lippert, Chair

Paul Fischer, Secretary