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

**1.) Roll Call.**

**Date & Time: April 22, 2025**

Commissioners Present: Vern Lippert  
Mike Postma  
Paul Fischer  
Oballa Oballa  
Tim Ruzek  
Marsha Podein  
Rebecca Waller

HRA Staff Present: Taggert 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 Fischer and seconded by Commissioner Oballa to approve minutes of the regular meeting held on March 25, 2025. 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 Oballa 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.

**4.) Public Housing & Section 8**

a. Review 5-year Capital Fund Program (CFP)

Commissioners were given the opportunity to review and discuss the CFP. The Public Hearing will be held on June 17, 2025.

b. Approve Scattered Sites Landing bid for installation (CFP)

Three requests for bids were sent out with only one bid returning. Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Ruzek and Waller to approve the Landing bid for the Scattered

Sites houses to Wagner Construction in the amount of \$39,302. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

### **5.) Market Rate Housing**

a. Review/Approve Riverland HRA 2025-2026 Housing Partnership. Kim Nelson, Dean of Academic Affairs-Trades, Riverland Community College will be present to discuss the partnership.

Kim Nelson joined the meeting via zoom and spoke to the Board about the Partnership between Riverland and the HRA and their hopes for its continuation. The HRA owns a lot on 25<sup>th</sup> St SW and the plan is for the next years house to be built there. Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Postma and Fischer to approve the Partnership between Riverland and the HRA for the house being built in the academic year 2025-2026. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

b. Review/Approve Murphy Creek Meadows Purchase Agreement

Executive Director Medgaarden brought to the Board a Purchase agreement to buy 16 platted lots in the Murphy Creek Meadows development in the amount of \$325,000 for the purpose of future Riverland builds, possibly twin homes. Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Oballa and Postma to approve the purchase of the lots in the Murphy Creek Meadows development. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

### **6.) Executive Director Reports**

### **7.) 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

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Paul Fischer, Secretary