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

**1.) Roll Call.**

**Date & Time: June 17, 2025**

Commissioners Present: Paul Fischer  
Tim Ruzek  
Marsha Podein  
Rebecca Waller  
Arlen Schamber

HRA Staff Present: Taggart Medgaarden, Executive Director  
Angela Maiden, Financial Director  
Sam Esplan, Twin Towers Manager

There being a quorum, the meeting was called to order by Secretary Fischer  
a. Welcome new Board member Arlen Schamber

**2.) Approval of Minutes**

It was moved by Commissioner Ruzek and seconded by Commissioner Waller to approve minutes of the regular meeting held on May 27, 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 Ruzek and seconded by Commissioner Waller 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 2030 and PHA 5-Year Plan

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

Executive Director Medgaarden explained the issues before the Board needing their approval. There not being anyone from the public present, motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Ruzek and Waller 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 #676 to adopt the 5-Year Capital Fund Grant adding 2030  
Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Waller and Ruzek to approve Resolution #676 to adopt the 5-Year Capital Fund Grant adding 2030. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

c. Approve Resolution #677 Annual Plan FYE 2026  
Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Waller and Ruzek to approve Resolution #677 to adopt the Annual Plan FYE 2026. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

d. Approve Resolution #678 PHA 5-Year Plan 2026-2030  
Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Waller and Ruzek to approve Resolution #678, PHA 5-Year Plan 2026-2030. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

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

a. Approve Water Heater bid for Chauncey  
Three bids were received for the water heater replacement at Chauncey with the lowest coming from Harty Mechanical in the amount of \$56,215. Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Ruzek and Waller to approve the bid from Harty Mechanical for the water heater replacement at Chauncey in the amount of \$56, 215. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

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

a. Approve Hormel Foundation Grant request  
Executive Director Medgaarden proposed to the Board the two programs that he would like to present to the City in consideration for the Hormel Foundation Grants. The first is the WoodChip Loan program which would be for the removal of hazardous or nuisance trees. The second is the Local Housing Trust Fund which would be used to support housing development, preservation, rehabilitation, or financial assistance. Motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Ruzek and Waller to approve the Hormel Foundation Grant requests as proposed by Executive Director Medgaarden. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The motion was declared passed and carried.

### **7.) Adjourn**

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

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Vernon Lippert, Chair

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Paul Fischer, Secretary

