

HOUSING RESOURCES COMMISSION

Quarterly Meeting

Rhode Island Housing

44 Washington St Providence, RI

June 10,2005

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The regular quarterly meeting of the RI Housing Resources Commission was called to order at 9:10a.m.

Commissioners present were:

Susan Baxter

Joseph Caffey

Brenda Clement

David Hammarström

Jeanne Cola

Robert McDonough

Noreen Shawcross

Anthony Marouchoc

David Gifford

Kathleen Bazinet

Kaveh Hajian

Mark Van Noppen

Monica Staaf

Ricahrd Godfrey

Valarie Voccio

Peter Walsh

Marie Strauss

Marie Stoeckel

Dennis Langley

Housing Resources Commission Staff:

Simon Kue

Darlene Price

Ray Neirinckx

Doris Delos Santos

Evelyn Quiñones

Rhode Island Housing staff:

Susan Bodington

Richard H. Godfrey, Jr.

Brenda Cianciolo

Noemi Picon

Amy Rainone

Chris Gorham

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Guests:

Tim Murry- RICFH

Zoe Cooper-CLAP

James Dilley

Terence Tierney

Pursuant to Chapter 46 of Title 42 General Laws of Rhode Island, notice of this meeting was posted at the State House and at RI Housing Resources Commission offices.

1. Approval of Minutes of March 11 and March 21, 2005

The Chair called for the approval of the Minutes from the Meeting of March 11, 2005

Upon a motion duly made by David Hammarstrom and seconded by Dennis Langely it was unanimously voted to approve the minutes of the quarterly meeting held on March 11, 2005. On a motion by Dennis Langley, seconded by Monica Staaf, it was voted to approve the minutes of March 21, 2005.

3. Report of the Chair

Susan Baxter welcomed new board members they are Kathleen Bazinet, Kaveh Hajian and Roberta Aaronson. There has been good progress with our NOP projects, Public Events and The Housing Works.

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4 Budget Reports

Reported on the budget ending FY05. Legislative action could delay the Lead Act until the Fall.

5. Appointment of a new Executive Director

Noreen Shawcross has been appointed the Chief of Housing and Community Development by the Department of Administration. The Commission voted to appoint Noreen Shawcross as Executive Director of the Commission with no additional compensation.

Motion: Dennis Langelly

2nd : Anthony Marouchoc

Vote: All in Favor

Abstain by: Noreen Shawcross

6. Presentation on the State Housing Strategy

Barbara Sokoloff gave a presentation on the work done to date by Abt Associates on the State Housing Strategy.

7. Approval of Funding for the State Housing Strategy

Abt Associates is working on the strategy. Peter Walsh and Dennis

Langely chair that committee. A motion was presented to provide funding in the amount of \$50,000 for the Abt contract from the FY 2006 budget.

Funding for the Strategy (\$50,000 FY06)

Motion: Brenda Clement

2nd: Marie Stoeckel

Vote: All in Favor

8. Approval of NOP funding under the Family and Permanent Housing Funds

As chair of the Office of Homelessness, Noreen presented the recommendations for funding.

On a motion by Joe Caffey, seconded by Dennis Langley

Vote: all in favor

Abstained: Brenda Clement

Angela Lovegrove

9. Approval of NOP funding under the Building Better Communities Fund

Jeanne Cola presented the recommendations of the Office of Community Development.

Motion: Joseph Caffey

2nd: Peter Walsh

Vote: All in Favor

Abstained: Brenda Clement

Angela Lovegrove

Jeanne Cola

Marie Stoeckel

Kaveh Hajian

10. Update on Homelessness

A report was presented by Noreen Shawcross

11. Resolution to fund the New Hope shelter

Noreen commented on homeless activities and how \$16,000 was needed for the merger of New Hope and Gateway.

\$16,038 was approved

On a motion By: Dennis Langley

Seconded by: Peter Walsh

Voted: All in favor

Abstain: Kaveh Hajian

5 Resolution on funding Homeless shelters

There was \$75,000 raised by Citizens for the shelter energy work. Shelter funding for the emergency shelters this passed winter was \$225,000. This has been a seven year struggle to address the winter shelter issue. A resolution to approve shelter funding in the amount of \$225,000 was

Voted:

Motion: Peter Walsh

2nd: Jeanne Cola

Vote: All in favor

Abstain: Dennis Langley

6 Update on implementation of the Lead Hazard Mitigation Act

Marie Stoeckel reported that this could be delayed to October 1st. But we are ready to act. Education work has been very successful 12,000 property owners have been trained.

7 FY 2006 Work Plan

FY06 work plans

8 Reports of the Office Co-Chairs

Marie introduced new HRC staff Doris DeLos Santos and Evelyn Quiñones.

9 Public Comment

None

Meeting Adjourned at 10:46 a.m.

Pursuant to the Open Meeting Law, business not included in this notice may be considered with the consent of the majority of the Housing Resources Commission.

If you would like to attend and require signing, please call Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation TDD Number: 421-9799, 48 hours in advance.