

PUBLIC NOTICE

Affordable Housing Commission - Regular Monthly Meeting

THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2012 – 6:30 P.M.

Charlestown Town Hall, Vault Area, 4540 South County Trail, Charlestown, Rhode Island

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL. The Commission may vote to move up item 7(b) to accommodate Commissioner Tremblay.

3. MINUTES: Mar. 15, 2012 Regular Meeting

4. COMMUNICATIONS: Review and brief discussion of communications received, including possible action in response

a) HousingWorksRI: *Special Report: Foreclosures in Rhode Island*;

b) GrowSmartRI: *Power of Place Summit, May 11, 2012*

c) Memo 3/29/2012 Town Planner: *Summary of Affordable Housing Proposals for Review by Boards and Commissions* (overview of process here, Commission discussion under new business)

5. STAFF REPORTS on current Affordable Housing issues: Town Planner Ashley Hahn Morris: status report comprehensive permit applications

6. REPORT, TOWN COUNCIL LIAISON: Tom Gentz: updates legislative amendments, Edwards Lane and Church Woods grants status

7. NEW BUSINESS

a) Affordable Housing Proposals Review: Commission will discuss process, and recommendations regarding implementation plan for AHC recommendations presented to Town Council in December

b) Planning Commissioner George Tremblay, follow-up to discussion of cost-burdened households from March AHC meeting

8. OLD BUSINESS:

a) Implementing and Encouraging Income-Restricted Accessory Dwelling Units (ongoing project, continued from March): Discussion of IRADU Requirements, regulations, application requirements, model documents, ordinance amendments, and development of user-friendly brochure and information packet. Progress reports on Introductory brochure; Program requirements FAQ's; Property eligibility brochure; Application packet, model documents.

b) Commissioners' Liaison Reports

c) Special Projects List/Commission Assignments and reports: IRADU Programs in the US (Ms. Ferrio).

Proposed projects (Ms. Labossiere): Rent Controlled Properties, Comparison South County AH programs.

Any Commissioner may propose or volunteer for independent research topics, data or document compilations, or draft documents that advance the work being undertaken by the Commission. Any Commissioner may volunteer to undertake any special project not already assigned.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

10. NEXT MEETING

11. ADJOURNMENT

The public is welcome to any meeting of the Affordable Housing Commission. If communication assistance (readers/interpreters/captions) is needed or any other accommodation to ensure equal participation, please contact (711-364-1240) at least three (3) business days prior to the meeting.

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