



Human Services Department Representative: Michelle Bendyk, Tenant Representatives: Judith Morgan, Nicky McDermott
1st District: *Vacant* | 2nd District: Jake Mackenzie (Chair) | 3rd District: Chris Borr
4th District: Teddie Pierce | 5th District: *Vacant* | Executive Director: Michelle Whitman

Sonoma County Community Development Committee Regular Meeting

Approved Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 18, 2023
1440 Guerneville Road, Santa Rosa, CA 95403
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Hybrid Meeting

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by Chair Mackenzie;
Community Development Commission (CDC) staff conducted the roll call:

Community Development Committee Members

District 1	Vacant
Jake Mackenzie, Chair – District 2	Present
Chris Borr, Vice Chair – District 3	Present
Teddie Pierce – District 4	Present
District 5	Vacant
Judy Morgan – Tenant Representative	Present
Nicky McDermott – Tenant Representative	Present
Michelle Bendyk – Human Services Representative	Present

CDC Staff Present

Michelle Whitman, Executive Director
Martha Cheever, Housing Authority Division Director
Matthew Burns, Administrative Aide
Valerie Johnson, Community Development Associate
Veronica Ortiz-De Anda, Community Development Associate

2. Public Comments for Items Not on the Agenda

Gregory Fearon spoke in favor of the 2024 housing bond and asked the Committee to place extremely low-income households as a priority for this potential funding.

At the request of Chair Mackenzie, Michelle Whitman provided the attendees with information about the Bay Area Housing Fund Authority and the planned housing bond anticipated to be placed on the ballot for the November, 2024 general election.

3. Approval of August 16, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Jake Mackenzie moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Teddie Pierce.

Public comments:

There was no public comment.

Action

Ayes: Teddie Pierce, Judy Morgan, Nicky McDermott, Michelle Bendyk, Chris Borr, and Chair Mackenzie

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Passed.

4. Executive Director's Report

Michelle Whitman reported on the Commission's office planned move in 2024 to 141 Stony Point Circle, and changes to CDC staffing.

Public comments:

There was no public comment.

5. Recommendation of Project Based Vouchers Awards by the Sonoma County Housing Authority

Martha Cheever, Housing Authority Division Director, presented the projects being recommended for award of Project Based Vouchers. The Committee posed questions and Ms. Cheever answered them accordingly.

Public comments:

There was no public comment.

Chris Borr moved to approve the award recommendations as proposed by staff, seconded by Michelle Bendyk.

Action

Ayes: Teddie Pierce, Judy Morgan, Nicky McDermott, Michelle Bendyk, Chris Borr, and Chair Mackenzie

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Passed.

6. Election of Officers

Chris Borr nominated Jake Mackenzie to remain as Chair of the Committee and there was consensus among the other committee members.

Action

Ayes: Teddie Pierce, Judy Morgan, Nicky McDermott, Michelle Bendyk, Chris Borr, and Chair Mackenzie

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Jake Mackenzie nominated Chris Borr to remain as vice chair and there was consensus among the other committee members.

Action

Ayes: Teddie Pierce, Judy Morgan, Nicky McDermott, Michelle Bendyk, Chris Borr, and Chair Mackenzie

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

7. Future Agenda Items

The BAHFA planning process will remain as a standard topic. Committee member Judy Morgan asked that staff explain what are the elements of permanent supportive housing. Ms. Morgan said that it need not be an agenda item, but could be a handout provided to the committee. Committee member Pierce asked that staff provide information on the process taken by affordable housing developers prior to coming before the committee for funding recommendations.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.