



Cities & Towns Advisory Committee
 Sonoma County Community Development Commission

Concurrent Special Meeting
Approved Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 23, 2024
 1440 Guerneville Road, Santa Rosa, CA 95403
 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. by Vice Chair Streeter; Community Development Commission (CDC) staff initiated the roll call:

Committee Members

Jenna Garcia – City of Rohnert Park	Present
Jennifer Gates – City of Sonoma	Present
VACANT – City of Sebastopol	Vacant
Kevin Thompson – City of Cloverdale	Absent
Noah Housh – City of Cotati	Present
Patrick Streeter – Town of Windsor	Present
Stephen Sotomayor – City of Healdsburg	Present

CDC and Sonoma County Housing Authority Staff

- Michelle Whitman, Executive Director
- Martha Cheever, Deputy Director
- Valerie Johnson, Community Development Program Coordinator
- Madison Murray, Senior Community Development Specialist
- Laurie Dinwiddie, Affordable Housing Finance Specialist
- Krista Fotou, Affordable Housing Finance Program Coordinator
- Veronica Ortiz-De Anda, Community Development Program Coordinator
- Matthew Burns, Administrative Aide

2. Public Comments for Items Not on the Agenda

None.

3. Approval Meeting Minutes from October 23, 2024

Public comments: None.

Action: The committee moved to approve the meeting minutes as drafted by staff.

Motion: Gates

Second: Sotomayor

Ayes: Garcia, Gates, Thompson, Sotomayor, Streeter

Noes: None

Abstain: Housh

Absent: Jay

Motion passed.

4. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director, Michelle Whitman, announced that the Commission will be hosting an open house on October 31st. Director Whitman also provided an update regarding the Bay Area Housing Finance Authority and highlighted some upcoming Homekey Plus funding. Director Whitman then invited Ray Tovar, a staff member with the Commission, to speak with the committee about some ongoing housing projects along with the Mobile Home Rent Stabilization Ordinance (MHRSO). Director Whitman then invited Martha Cheever, Deputy Director for the Sonoma County Housing Authority, to discuss an upcoming rent survey, the appointment of a new tenant representative, and some new waiting lists for project-based vouchers.

Public comments: None

5. PUBLIC HEARING: HOME – American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Funding Recommendations

CDC staff, Veronica Ortiz-De Anda, gave a presentation on the proposed funding recommendations for the HOME – American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) funding source.

Chair Streeter opened the public hearing.

Public comments: None.

Chair Streeter closed the public hearing.

Action: The committee moved to recommend approval of the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Action Plan Substantial Amendment to the Board of Supervisors.

Motion: Gates

Second: Housh

Ayes: Garcia, Gates, Sotomayor, Housh
Noes: None
Abstain: Streeter
Absent: Thompson

Motion Passed.

6. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:32 a.m.