



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

**Sonoma County Community Development Committee  
Regular Meeting Concurrently with the  
Cities & Towns Advisory Committee**

**Approved  
Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, August 16, 2023  
1440 Guerneville Road, Santa Rosa, CA 95403  
10:0 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 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  
Rhonda Coffman, Community Development Division Director  
Valerie Johnson, Community Development Associate  
Veronica Ortiz-De Anda, Community Development Associate  
Laurie Dinwiddie, Community Development Specialist II  
Susan Vahlstrom, Executive Secretary

## 2. Public Comments for Items Not on the Agenda

Duane De Witt spoke during this item.

## 3. Approval of June 21, 2023, Meeting Minutes

### Public comments:

Duane De Witt spoke during this item.

Teddie Pierce moved to approve the minutes; seconded by Michelle Bendyk.

### Action

Ayes: Jake Mackenzie, Teddie Pierce, Judy Morgan, Nicky McDermott, Michelle Bendyk

Noes:

Abstain: Chris Borr

Absent:

### ***Motion Passed.***

## 4. Executive Director's Report

Michelle Whitman presented about the Bay Area Housing Finance Authority (BAHFA) detailing the General Obligation Bond for November 2024 that would provide financial assistance to affordable housing projects. The Executive Director also provided an update on Elderberry Commons, a project in Sebastopol.

### Public comments:

Duane De Witt spoke during this item.

## 5. Review of Sonoma County Funding Policies for Federal and Low-Moderate Income Housing Asset Funds (LMIHAF)

Veronica Ortiz-De Anda, Community Development Associate presented the proposed Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Federal and LMIHAF Funding Policies and answered questions from the committee members. The committee provided feedback to Ms. Ortiz-De Anda to incorporate into the policies.

### Public comments:

Duane De Witt spoke during this item.

## 6. Future Agenda Items

Chair Mackenzie requested for an update on the pro-housing designation and requested updates on BAFHA as a standing item. Committee Member Pierce would like information on what criteria is needed for housing projects.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.