

FAYETTEVILLE HOUSING AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA – Thursday, February 25, 2021 | 5:00 PM

Fayetteville Housing Authority Office, Fayetteville, AR via Zoom

Roll Call

PUBLIC COMMENT

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Resolution #1257 – Resolution to provide office space to Resident Council (brought by Commissioner Breashears)
- B. Food Collaborative Committee Member selection
- C. Resident Council policy input

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Resolution #1258 – Resolution to establish FHA Volunteer Policy
 - Want to add clarity to volunteer roles at FHA
 - Include FHA and volunteer responsibilities and expectations to reduce liability
- B. Discussion: FHA Resident & Public Complaint Policy
 - Want to establish chain of command for addressing operational/building issues
 - Give board members clarity on steps of the process for residents and public to share concerns
- C. Resolution #1259 – Authorization to apply for additional Emergency Rental Assistance grant funds
 - Anticipate spending \$1,100,000 (75% of initial grant) by 3rd week of March
- D. Resolution #1260 – Authorization to issue Letter of Intent to purchase Grandview Apartments
 - Currently 50% Project Based Rental Assistance (PBRA), current owner working on transferring another contract so it would be 100% PBRA (like Morgan Manor)
 - Financing options are varied – researching bonds, bridge loan, and assuming the existing loan
 - Terms of LOI would be determined after financing information clarified
 - FHA would complete purchase instead of FHA Development, Inc. because it is PBRA
- E. Resolution #1261 – Authorization to Issue RFP for Internet for Public Housing
 - New FEMA regulations allow all eligible COVID expenses to be reimbursed 100% instead of previously 75%
 - CARES Act funding it is permissible to use for Internet for Public Housing Residents
 - New guidance from HUD allows Operating Funds and Capital Funds to be used for on-going expenses of Internet in individual units or site-wide Wi-Fi
- F. Resolution #1262 – Authorization to add case manager for ESG Grant and approve amended salary schedule
 - February 12, 2021 received 2nd half of grant requested in August 2020
 - Grant will pay expenses to house 16 more people experiencing homelessness with weekly case management
 - Current case manager is tasked with 1st 16 ESG participants; this would be the maximum recommended case load
- G. Discussion: Strategic Planning Retreat – May

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Resolution #1263 – Authorization to issue short term loan to FHA Development for cross-program accounts receivable
- B. Approval of minutes from previous regular board meeting, November 30, 2020 and January 28, 2021 and special board meetings January 22, 2021 and February 2, 2021

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C. Approval of November 2020 FHA Programs' Balance Sheets & Income Statements

STAFF REPORT

- A. Executive Director, Angela Belford
- B. Director of Vouchers, Victoria Dempsey
 - a. Housing Team
 - b. Voucher & Supportive Housing Team

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Executive Director Evaluation and Resident Complaint

FINAL COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mission Statement: The Fayetteville Housing Authority provides safe, quality, affordable housing as a basic human right to build community resilience, improve intergenerational public health outcomes, and increase equitable opportunities.

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