



Berkeley Housing Authority

AGENDA

BOARD OF THE BERKELEY HOUSING AUTHORITY

DRAFT MINUTES REGULAR MEETING

October 10, 2013

North Berkeley Senior Center
1901 Hearst Avenue
Berkeley, CA 94709

6:00 p.m.

CAROLE NORRIS, CHAIR

VALERIE AGOSTINO
MARJORIE COX
RICHELIEU HEMPHILL

DOROTHY HUNT
ADOLPH MOODY
DANIEL ROSSI

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

Present - Chairperson Norris; Vice Chair Cox; Commissioners Agostino, Hemphill, Moody and Rossi (Commissioner Hunt arrived at 6:06)

3. **Comments from the Public**

No one from the public was present

It was moved/seconded (Agostino/Cox) to enter closed session at 6:04 p.m.

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4. **Closed Session**

Repositioning of Low Income Public Housing Units

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8: Conference with real property negotiators regarding the price and terms of payment for the disposition of the Public Housing and Rental Housing Construction Program properties (Attachment 1)

Agency Negotiators: Tia Ingram, Eric Novak, Scott Jepsen, and Jennifer Bell

Conference with Labor Negotiators pursuant to the California Government Code Section 54957.6 Designated representatives: Tia Ingram, Jennifer Bell, James Diamond. Employee Organization SEIU 1021.

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*The Board returned to open session at 6:25 p.m.
There were no reportable actions*

5. **Report from the Executive Director**

Executive Director provided oral highlights of information presented in the written report on the status of activities of the Housing Authority in the areas of overall administration, rental assistance in the Section 8 Voucher, and Authority owned rental housing programs. Emphasis on potential revenue shortfalls associated with the federal "Shut-Down;" strategy of informing and engaging our partners, including participating landlords and the Berkeley City Council; recognition of extraordinary effort and service delivery of staff, during very demanding times. With regard to the planned move of the Agency, Commissioner Agostino commented on the disruption that accompanies any move. Executive Director to engage Board members regarding their availability to attend the regularly scheduled December Board meeting.

6. **New Business**

A. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting, September 12, 2013

It was moved/seconded (Cox/Agostino; abstain Rossi) to approve the minutes as submitted.

B. Approval of Minutes: Special Meeting, September 23, 2013

It was moved/seconded (Hemphill/Agostino; abstain Hunt and Rossi) to approve the minutes as submitted.

C. Finance Report–Period Ending August 31, 2013 - Val Agostino, Chair, Finance Committee & Jesy Yturalde, Finance Manager

Report was presented by Agostino and Cox. Agency generally operating within the approved budget; realizing cost savings that will reduce the anticipated deficit; savings offset by estimated investment in Agency office relocation; net increase approximately \$50k; direction to work diligently to find every opportunity to reduce the estimated \$175,000 investment estimated for the move.

7. **Commissioners' Questions and Matters**

8. **Communications**

A. Annual Plan Approval Letter

B. SDRMA No Paid Property/Liability Claims in 2012-13

Received without comment.

9. **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

This agenda was posted on the doors of the Berkeley Housing Authority at 1901 Fairview Street, Berkeley, CA 94703; at North Berkeley Senior Center, 1901 Hearst Avenue, Berkeley, CA 94709; as well as the Berkeley Housing Authority website. The next Regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for **Thursday, November 14, 2013** at 6:00 p.m. at the North Berkeley Senior Center.

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