City of Gainesville

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Minutes - Draft

July 12, 2022 6:00 PM

The Historic Thomas Center, 306 NE 6th Avenue, Bldg. B, Room 201

SHIP - Affordable Housing Advisory Committee

Belinda Smith
Saeed Khan
Jamie Bell
Mary Lou Hildreth
Michael Raburn
Eric McLarthy
Octavia Washington
Cynthia Moore Chestnut
Aymee Ginard-Cepeda
Reina Saco
Jennifer Rivers

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CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Bell called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m

ROLL CALL

Present 7 - Member Smith, Member Bell, Member Khan, Member Hildreth, Member Raburn, Member Ginard-Cepeda, and Member Chestnut

Absent 4 - Member McLarthy, Member Washington, Member Saco, and Member Rivers

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS

211388. Discuss Draft 2022 Incentives and Recommendations Report (B)

After a brief introduction by Mr. Wachtel, the Committee reviewed the proposed changes to the IRR. In some cases, the Committee discussed and made additional revisions.

Several members expressed concern regarding gentrification and the displacement of existing residents. The Committee agreed that this is an important and complex problem, and that the City should consider developing specific plans and policies to address it. As such, they asked staff to draft specific language for a new IRR recommendation to address this problem.

Subsequently, Ms. Hildreth made a motion to accept the Committee's revisions to the IRR and to add the new recommendation relating to anti-gentrification and anti-displacement plans and policies. Ms. Chestnut seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

RECOMMENDATION AF

AHAC members: 1) review the information provided; and 2) discuss any specific changes to the 2021 IRR that should be considered for incorporation into the 2022 IRR.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Anjana Dossa provided comments.

MEMBER COMMENT

Mr. Raburn wanted it made clear that the AHAC was not involved in the Exclusionary Zoning and Inclusionary Zoning Study, and that AHAC did not endorse the Study, its findings, or its recommendations. In addition, he wanted

to strongly encourage the City Commission to vote against the proposed elimination of exclusionary zoning. The other members agreed, and the Committee drafted a letter from the AHAC Chair to the City Commission. Mr. Khan made a motion to authorize the Chair to send that letter to the City Commission. Mr. Raburn seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

NEXT MEETING DATE - August 9, 2022 - 6:00 PM

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:38 PM.

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