

City of Gainesville

SHIP Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC)

MINUTES

Workshop Meeting

Via Zoom, 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 9, 2021

Committee Members Present

1. Jamie Bell, Vice-Chair
2. Michael Raburn
3. Mary Lou Hildreth
4. Aditya Basu-Dutta
5. Octavia Washington

Committee Members Absent

1. Eric McLarthy, Chair
2. Gigi Simmons
3. Belinda Smith
4. Saeed Khan
5. Shayna Rich

Staff Present

1. Jacqueline Richardson, HCD Manager
2. Helen Harris, Housing & Community Development Supervisor
3. John Wachtel, Neighborhood Planning Coordinator

Others Present

None.

Call to Order

Vice-Chair Bell called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Roll Call

Ms. Harris called the roll.

Discussion of Pending Referrals

200920. Overview of Incentives and Recommendations Report

Mr. Wachtel gave a presentation that included a general definition of “affordable housing,” a brief review of the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Program, a brief review of the City’s programs, a description of the Incentives and Recommendations Report (IRR), a proposed IRR schedule, a description of public engagement measures for the IRR, and a description of the required elements of the IRR, including other possible incentives/initiatives.

Ms. Bell suggested that the Committee also consider incentives for mixed-use, not just affordable housing, within developments.

Ms. Hildreth suggested that the Committee explore the similarities and differences between City and County incentives and regulations. In addition, she thought that an online survey could be helpful.

Mr. Basu-Dutta noted that in September, he might not be available.

200921. Affordable Housing Advisory Committees Peer City Review

Mr. Wachtel presented a chart summarizing information received from peer jurisdictions about their AHACs.

Ms. Bell recommended that the Committee continue to evaluate funding requests for Low Income Housing Tax Credit and State Apartment Incentive Loan projects.

200922. Affordable Housing Updates

The Committee members indicated that the review was helpful.

Public Comment

None

Member Comment

Mr. Basu-Dutta indicated that he would be interested in copies of, or links to, maps associated with affordable housing, in general, and the Property Donation Pilot Program, in particular.

Next Meeting Date

April 13, 2021

Adjournment

7:22 p.m.

Jamie Bell, Vice-Chair

Date