



Minutes for Committee on Operations June 4, 2020

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Commissioners (6)

Kenneth Council; Antonio Taliaferro; LeJuan Strickland; Neil Albert; Bill Slover

Member Absent: Commissioner Vann-Ghasri

Opening Remarks

Chairman Strickland welcomed the Committee and opened the meeting at approximately 1:00 pm.

Draft minutes of May 7, 2020

The draft meeting minutes of May 7, 2020 were acknowledged and accepted as final.

20-10 – To Authorize the Execution of a Contract for Utility Billing Administration Services

Chairman Strickland recommended that the Board move to close the meeting to discuss the following topic, which includes discussion of the position to be taken in negotiating the price and other material terms of a contract, pursuant to D.C. Code § 2-575(b)(2):

- Resolution 20-10 – To Authorize the Execution of a Contract for Utility Billing Administration Services.

A motion was made and properly seconded. There was no discussion and the meeting was closed.

20-11 – To Adopt Final Regulations Amending the Regulations Implementing the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)

Chairman Strickland reopened the meeting to discuss resolution 20-11 To Adopt Final Regulations Amending the Regulations Implementing the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA). Director Garrett asked Mary Grace Fowell of the Office of General Counsel (OGC) to present resolution 20-11. Ms. Fowell explained that DCHA OGC staff met with representatives of the Legal Services Provider Community. OGC staff incorporated comments into the proposed regulations published in the D.C. Register. The Legal Services Provider Community provided comments on the proposed amendments published in the D.C. Register and DCHA reviewed and incorporated comments from the advocates into

the current version of the proposed amended regulations. Director Garrett added that one of the amendments came about based on a case last year where the accusations of abuse were against the head of household which left the household member with no recourse and some decisions had to be made. Ms. Fowell agreed and continued by saying that the final regulations add further clarity and tweaks to ensure the process is understood by everyone and there are some timelines included. There were no comments regarding the final regulation amendments.

Chairman Strickland asked if there was any other business to be discussed by the Committee. Commissioner Taliaferro stated that he spoke with Mr. Larry Williams, Vice President of Property Management Operations regarding his issue for clarity.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:16 pm.