



Minutes for Brown Bag Meeting October 9, 2019

10/09/2019 | 11:10 AM - 12:50 PM - Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Woodland Terrace 2310 Ainger Place, SE Washington, DC 20020

Commissioners (10)

Franselene St. Jean; Bill Slover; Kenneth Council; NaKeisha Neal Jones; Jose Ortiz Gaud; Aquarius Vann-Ghasri; Antonio Taliaferro; LeJuan Strickland; Dyana Forester; John Falcicchio

Members Absent - Chairman Neil Albert

Opening Remarks

Vice Chairman Council opened the meeting at approximately 11:10 am.

Draft Brown Bag meeting minutes of September 11, 2019

The minutes of September 11, 2019 were not addressed

Sexual Harassment and Whistleblower Briefing

Chairman Council recommended that the Board move to close the meeting to discuss disciplinary matters, which arise in the course of the Sexual Harassment and Whistleblower Policy briefing, pursuant to D.C. Code § 2-575(b)(9). A motion was made and properly seconded and the meeting was closed.

RESOLUTION 19-36 – To Approve the Use of Local Subsidies to Support the Creation of Affordable Housing in the District of Columbia for the Hill East Parcel F-1 Project

The meeting was re-opened and a briefing was provided on resolution 19-36 by Chelsea Liedstrand of the Office of Capital Programs (OCP). Ms. Liedstrand stated that the purpose of this resolution is to approve the District of Columbia Housing Authority operating subsidies under the Local Rent Supplement Program (LRSP), in response to a request by the District's Department of Human Services (DHS) to allocate its LRSP tenant based assistance to provide 100 units of project/sponsor based assistance to the Hill East Parcel F-1 project. Vice Chairman Council asked if the detention center would be relocated and also asked what safety precautions are being taken for children. Ms. Liedstrand said that she did not know about the detention center but stated that the units are for single woman with disabilities who have suffered from chronic homelessness, there will be no children living in the building. All units are approximately 600 square feet. Director Garrett added that DCHA is the administrator of the vouchers and that is the only role DCHA has in the project. The funding is 100% Department of Human

Services. Commissioner Vann-Ghasri asked if the resident referrals would be coming from homeless shelters. It was stated that residents would be 100% from shelters for all 100 units. There was discussion regarding the administrative fees. Commissioner Slover stated that ownership versus renting is something we should be looking at more.

Financial Briefing

Barbara Chen, Director of Finance stated that we were able to reduce usage by about \$3 million in the operating budget that can go back to capital fund programs.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:50 pm.

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