

County of Santa Cruz

HOUSING ADVISORY COMMISSION

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DRAFT MINUTES

HOUSING ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

July 8, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Geisreiter at 1:00 pm.

1. ROLL CALL:

Commissioners Present: Bud Carney, Bryan Chambers, Tara Gasta, Reed

Geisreiter (Chair), Rose Marie McNair, Amanda Rotella,

John Skillicorn, Kent Washburn

Commissioners Excused: None

Commissioners Absent: Dean Lundholm, Tom Honig

Staff Present: Julie Conway, Housing Manager, Suzanne Isé, Principal

Planner, Porcila Wilson, Housing Specialist, Tracy

Cunningham, Housing Specialist

Public Present: Jane Barr, Becky Steinbruner, Paul Hebert

2. Corrections to Agenda: None

Introduction of New Commissioner John Skillicorn, District 4

4. Oral Communications:

Staff read into the record an email comment from Becky Steinbrunner.

CONSENT AGENDA

 Approval of March 4, 2020 HAC Minutes Action: Approve Minutes as Presented.

Motion: Carney Second: Washburn

Motion Passed: 8 - 0 - 2

SCHEDULED AGENDA

1. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Chair Geisreiter nominated Commissioner Rotella to be the Chair, seconded by Commissioner Gasta. **Nomination Passed 6 – 2.**

Commissioner Carney nominated Vice Chair Chambers to be Vice Chair for another

term, seconded by Chair Geisreiter. **Nomination Passed 6 – 2. Results:** Chair: Rotella Vice Chair: Chambers

- 2. Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) Funding (Presentation)

 Tracy Cunningham, Housing Specialist, presented several slides explaining the new PLHA state funding source, followed by a brief discussion and Q&A.
- 3. New Program for Homeowners: Santa Cruz County Support (Oral Report)
 Housing staff presented several slides on this new County program designed to help
 low- and moderate-income homeowners in unincorporated County areas obtain relief
 available through federal and/or lending industry programs for COVID hardships, such
 as forbearances. Paul Hebert from Ridge Mediation helped answer questions about the
 program. The program is available at no cost to eligible homeowners by calling the
 Housing Division at 454-2332 for a referral.
- 5. Housing Activities Update (Oral Report) **No action taken.**

Housing Manager Julie Conway provided an update on current Housing Division activities and projects, and announced her retirement in September. Commissioners thanked Ms. Conway for her many years of service.

6. Written Correspondence (Info only: *Habitat for Humanity Rodeo Creek Court Homebuyer Opportunity*)

ADJOURNMENT

At 2:30 pm, Chair Geisreiter adjourned the meeting.