

MINUTES

GARDEN GROVE HOUSING AUTHORITY

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, January 22, 2019

Community Meeting Center

11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, California 92840

CONVENE MEETING

At 6:37 p.m., Chair Klopfenstein convened the meeting in the Council Chamber.

ROLL CALL PRESENT: (8) Chair Klopfenstein, Commissioners Brietigam, Bui, Jones, K. Nguyen, T. Nguyen, O'Neill, Solorio

 ABSENT: (1) Commissioner Beckles

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Speakers: None.

SELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR (F: H-10.3)(VIP)

It was moved by Commissioner Brietigam, seconded by Chair Klopfenstein that:

Commissioner Bui be selected as Chair, and Commissioner K. Nguyen be selected as Vice Chair.

The motion carried by a 8-0-1 vote as follows:

Ayes: (8) Brietigam, O'Neill, Bui, Jones, Klopfenstein, K. Nguyen, T. Nguyen, Solorio
Noes: (0) None
Absent: (1) Beckles

HOUSING AUTHORITY STATUS REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 2018 (F: H-117.2)

It was moved by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Klopfenstein that:

The Housing Authority Status Report for November 2018, be received and filed.

The motion carried by a 8-0-1 vote as follows:

Ayes: (8) Brietigam, O'Neill, Bui, Jones, Klopfenstein, K.
Nguyen, T. Nguyen, Solorio
Noes: (0) None
Absent: (1) Beckles

HOUSING AUTHORITY STATUS REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2018 (F: H-117.2)

It was moved by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Klopfenstein that:

The Housing Authority Status Report for December 2018, be received and filed.

The motion carried by a 8-0-1 vote as follows:

Ayes: (8) Brietigam, O'Neill, Bui, Jones, Klopfenstein, K.
Nguyen, T. Nguyen, Solorio
Noes: (0) None
Absent: (1) Beckles

RECEIVE AND FILE MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 27, 2018, MEETING (F: Vault)

It was moved by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Klopfenstein that:

The minutes from the meeting held on November 27, 2018, be received and filed.

The motion carried by a 8-0-1 vote as follows:

Ayes: (8) Brietigam, O'Neill, Bui, Jones, Klopfenstein, K.
Nguyen, T. Nguyen, Solorio
Noes: (0) None
Absent: (1) Beckles

MATTERS FROM CHAIR, COMMISSIONERS, AND DIRECTOR

Chair Bui questioned staff regarding the impact on the Section 8 Housing program with a continued government shutdown, and how many people would be affected.

Staff responded that there is funding through February and that the Authority currently assists 2600 families at 2.6 million dollars. Although Authority staff has built strong relationships with property owners who participate in the program, it is not known how property owners will react if there is a continued government shutdown.

Director Stiles noted that Authority staff are in communication with the three other

authorities in the County, including the County of Orange, Anaheim, and Santa Ana to work on addressing potential gaps in funding for the Section 8 program.

Commissioner Brietigam asked whether funding would be retroactive if the shutdown were to go past March and whether there is anything in the contract for Section 8 that allow for suspended funding.

Staff responded that funding would be retroactive; however, contracts with property owners do not include a gap in funding for unforeseen events such as a government shutdown.

Commissioner T. Nguyen asked if there will be any formal communication to the property owners to extend rental payments.

Staff responded that letters will be mailed to owners of Section 8 housing if the shutdown continues.

Commissioner K. Nguyen requested staff to research and receive clarification on legal requirements within Section 8 rental contracts before causing any panic.

Chair Bui asked that a contingency plan be established in the event of a prolonged government shutdown.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:48 p.m., Chair Bui adjourned the meeting. The next Regular Housing Authority Meeting will be held Tuesday, February 26, 2019, at 5:30 p.m., at the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, California.

Teresa Pomeroy, CMC
Secretary