



AGENDA

Garden Grove Housing Authority

Tuesday,
April 28, 2020

6:30 PM

Community Meeting Center 11300
Stanford Avenue Garden Grove
California 92840

Patrick Phat Bui
Chair

Kim B. Nguyen
Vice Chair

Carol Beckles
Commissioner

George S. Brietigam
Commissioner

Steven R. Jones
Commissioner

**Stephanie
Klopfenstein**
Commissioner

**Diedre Thu-Ha
Nguyen**

Commissioner

John R. O'Neill
Commissioner

Stephen Solorio
Commissioner

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AGENDA

Open Session

6:30 PM

ROLL CALL: COMMISSIONER BECKLES, COMMISSIONER BRIETIGAM, COMMISSIONER JONES, COMMISSIONER KLOPFENSTEIN, COMMISSIONER D. NGUYEN, COMMISSIONER O'NEILL, COMMISSIONER SOLORIO, VICE CHAIR K. NGUYEN, CHAIR BUI

1. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

2. CONSENT ITEMS

(Consent Items will be acted on simultaneously with one motion unless separate discussion and/or action is requested by a Housing Authority Commissioner.)

2.a. Receive and file the Housing Authority Status Report for March 2020. *(Action Item)*

2.b. Receive and file minutes from the meeting held on March 24, 2020. *(Action Item)*

3. MATTERS FROM CHAIR, COMMISSIONERS AND DIRECTOR

4. ADJOURNMENT

The next Regular Housing Authority Meeting will be on Tuesday, May 26, 2020, at 5:30 p.m. in the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden

Grove, California.

City of Garden Grove

INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To: Scott C. Stiles From: Maria Stipe
Dept.: Director Dept.: Assistant City Manager
Subject: Receive and file the Housing Authority Status Report for March 2020. (*Action Item*) Date: 4/28/2020

OBJECTIVE

For the Housing Authority Commissioners to receive and file the March 2020 Housing Authority Status Report.

BACKGROUND

The Housing Choice Voucher Program assists low-income families, senior citizens, and handicapped persons in the payment of their monthly rent. Under this program, a qualified participant pays a portion of his/her adjusted household income for rent. The remainder of the rent is paid by the City's Housing Authority utilizing funds received from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The units rented under the program are inspected on a biennial basis to ensure that they are decent, safe, sanitary, and have no code violations. Approximately 2,337 senior citizens, disabled persons, and families are funded by the Section 8 Rental Assistance Program.

DISCUSSION

The following is a status report for the month of March 2020:

Program Eligibility: All participants of the Housing Choice Voucher Program must be income eligible. Applicants are ranked on the Waiting List by local preferences. When an applicant is next on the Waiting List, they have an Initial Qualifying (IQ) interview where their eligibility is verified. If they are eligible, they receive a program briefing and their voucher. The Authority replaces those families who terminate from the program as a part of normal turnover. Once on the program, they are re-certified for eligibility at least annually and their portion of the rent adjusted according to their income.

INITIAL QUALIFICATION (IQ) INTERVIEWS: Staff conducted eight Initial Qualification interviews (IQ) from the Waiting List and the following:

- (a) Emergency Situations - 0
- (b) Referred by a Garden Grove Homeless Shelter - 0
- (c) Incoming Portability - 1

Briefings: Two briefings were conducted this month, and 2 vouchers were issued.

Re-certifications: Staff conducted 185 re-examination interviews with participants to determine continued eligibility. 139 were interviewed who had interim changes in income, which necessitated an adjustment in their portion of the rent.

Moves: Staff met with 15 tenants currently on the program that were moving and were briefed on move procedures.

Terminations: There were 7 families who terminated from the program during the month.

FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY PROGRAM (FSS): Assists families to become employed and no longer dependent on public assistance. The Family Self-Sufficiency Program enters into contracts with Voucher participants to provide support services such as education, training, and career development.

Status of FSS participants this month: There were no prospective FSS participants interviewed for the month of March. There were no contracts signed and no contracts were terminated. There are a total of 391 families who have signed contracts for the FSS program. Forty-three contracts are active. Four update meetings were held with FSS participants.

One hundred and thirty-three families have completed their FSS goals and 65 of these are self-sufficient and no longer need housing assistance. Eight families have purchased houses. There are 33 escrow accounts. Twenty-six escrow accounts are active with monthly deposits.

The Authority has paid out a total of \$1,112,090 in escrow funds to tenants who have completed their contract obligations. Each graduate that successfully completes his or her family obligations on the contract after October 21, 1998, reduces the minimum program size. The original program size of 140 is now reduced to 12.

UNIT INSPECTIONS: All units that are leased under the Housing Choice Voucher program must pass an initial Housing Quality Standards (HQS) inspection before the Housing Assistance Payments contract is signed, and must pass a biennial HQS inspection to continue to receive rental assistance payments. HQS inspections determine that the unit is decent, safe and sanitary, and has passed City building codes.

New Leases: There were 13 requests for new lease approvals with 6 units passing and 7 units failing.

Annuals: There were 83 annual inspections conducted this month. Thirty-one units passed and 52 units failed to meet Housing Quality Standards (HQS) and code requirements. The owners were requested to make the necessary repairs.

Re-inspections: There were 98 re-inspections conducted on units that failed their first inspection.

Move-out: There were no move-out inspections conducted.

Specials: There were no special inspections conducted.

Quality Control: There were no quality control inspections conducted this month. These inspections are required by HUD to ensure that field staff is in compliance with inspection requirements and are conducted by supervisory staff.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

None.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Housing Authority Commissioners:

- Receive and file the 2020 March Housing Authority Status Report.

By: Danny Huynh, Housing Manager

ATTACHMENTS:

| Description | Upload Date | Type | File Name |
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| Statistical report | 4/3/2020 | Cover Memo | Statistical_Report_-_March.pdf |

GARDEN GROVE HOUSING AUTHORITY
"STATISTICAL REPORT"

March 2020

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|---|--------------------------------|---|----------------------------|--|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| I. <u>LEASED FAMILIES</u> | <u>NUMBER</u> | | | | <u>FAMILIES</u> | |
| Total Participating Families: | <u>2531</u> | | | | <u>100%</u> | |
| Elderly: | <u>1562</u> | | | | <u>62%</u> | |
| Disabled: | <u>766</u> | | | | <u>30%</u> | |
| Female Head of Household: | <u>1369</u> | | | | <u>54%</u> | |
| Employed: | <u>996</u> | | | | <u>39%</u> | |
| II. <u>UNITS UNDER LEASE</u> | <u>UNITS LEASED</u> | <u>TOTAL UNITS ALLOCATED</u> | <u>% LEASED</u> | <u>PORT IN ADMINISTERED</u> | | |
| | <u>2220</u> | <u>2337</u> | <u>95%</u> | <u>311</u> | | |
| III. <u>CURRENT PAYMENT STANDARD</u> | <u>1-BEDRM</u> | <u>2-BEDRM</u> | <u>3-BEDRM</u> | <u>4+BEDRM</u> | <u>MOBILE HOME</u> | |
| | <u>\$1624</u> | <u>\$2017</u> | <u>\$2819</u> | <u>\$3256</u> | | |
| IV. <u>RENTS AND INCOME</u> | <u>VOUCHERS</u> | | | | | |
| Average HAP Payment: | <u>\$1135</u> | | | | | |
| Average Tenant Rent: | <u>\$418</u> | | | | | |
| Average Contract Rent: | <u>\$1578</u> | | | | | |
| Average Annual Income: | <u>\$18535</u> | | | | | |
| Hard to House: | <u>1</u> | | | | | |
| V. <u>TOTAL NUMBER OF UNITS LEASED BY BEDROOM SIZE</u> | <u>1-BEDRM</u> | <u>2-BEDRM</u> | <u>3-BEDRM</u> | <u>4+BEDRM</u> | <u>MOBILE HOME</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| | <u>1577</u> | <u>711</u> | <u>197</u> | <u>29</u> | <u>17</u> | <u>2531</u> |

GARDEN GROVE HOUSING AUTHORITY
"STATISTICAL REPORT"

March 2020

VI. MONTHLY ACTIVITY BY UNIT SIZE

| | <u>1-BEDRM</u> | <u>2-BEDRM</u> | <u>3-BEDRM</u> | <u>4+BEDRM</u> | <u>MOBILE HOME</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|
| New Admission | 2 | 1 | | | | 3 |
| Annual Reexamination | 112 | 64 | 11 | 1 | 2 | 190 |
| Interim Reexamination | 69 | 42 | 24 | 4 | 2 | 141 |
| Portability Move-in (S8 only) | 1 | 1 | | | | 2 |
| End Participation | 4 | 2 | | | | 6 |
| Other Change of Unit | 7 | 16 | | | | 23 |
| Annual Reexamination Searching (S8) | 2 | 2 | | | | 4 |
| Other Adult | 16 | 9 | | | | 25 |
| Own Business | 1 | | | | | 1 |

City of Garden Grove

INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To: Scott C. Stiles From: Teresa Pomeroy
Dept.: Director Dept.: Secretary
Subject: Receive and file minutes Date: 4/28/2020
 from the meeting held on
 March 24, 2020. (*Action
 Item*)

Attached are the minutes from the meeting held on March 24, 2020, recommended to be received and filed as submitted or amended.

ATTACHMENTS:

| Description | Upload Date | Type | File Name |
|--------------------|--------------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| Minutes | 4/22/2020 | Minutes | ha-min_03_24_2020.pdf |

MINUTES

GARDEN GROVE HOUSING AUTHORITY

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, March 24, 2020

Community Meeting Center

11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, CA 92840

CONVENE MEETING

At 6:32 p.m., Chair Bui convened the meeting telephonically.

ROLL CALL PRESENT: (9) Commissioners Beckles, Brietigam, O'Neill, D. Nguyen, Jones, Klopfenstein, Solorio, Vice Chair K. Nguyen, Chair Bui

ABSENT: (0) None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Speakers: None.

RECEIVE AND FILE THE HOUSING AUTHORITY STATUS REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2020 (F: H-117.2)

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

The Housing Authority Status Report for February 2020, be received and filed.

The motion carried by a 9-0 vote as follows:

Ayes: (9) Beckles, Brietigam, O'Neill, D. Nguyen, Jones, Klopfenstein, K. Nguyen, Solorio, Bui
Noes: (0) None

RECEIVE AND FILE MINUTES FROM THE MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 25, 2020 (F: Vault)

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

Minutes from the meeting held on February 25, 2020, be received and filed.

The motion carried by a 9-0 vote as follows:

Ayes: (9) Beckles, Brietigam, O'Neill, D. Nguyen, Jones,
Klopfenstein, K. Nguyen, Solorio, Bui
Noes: (0) None

PUBLIC HEARING – ADOPTION OF THE GARDEN GROVE HOUSING AUTHORITY FIVE YEAR AND ANNUAL PLAN FOR FISCAL YEARS 2020-2024 (F: H-128.4)

Following staff introduction, Chair Bui declared the public hearing open.

Speakers: None

With no testimony, Chair Bui closed the public hearing.

With no further discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner O'Neill that:

The 2020-2024 Five Year and Annual Plan for the Garden Grove Housing Authority, be adopted; and

The Director be authorized to certify the Five Year and Annual Plan of the Garden Grove Housing Authority.

The motion carried by a 9-0 vote as follows:

Ayes: (9) Beckles, Brietigam, O'Neill, D. Nguyen, Jones,
Klopfenstein, K. Nguyen, Solorio, Bui
Noes: (0) None

MATTERS FROM CHAIR, COMMISSIONERS AND DIRECTOR

Chair Bui noted that in this State of Emergency, people are worried about rent, and requested staff to pursue temporary vouchers with the Department of Housing Urban and Development.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:42 p.m., Chair Bui adjourned the meeting. The next Regular Housing Authority Meeting will be held Tuesday, April 28, 2020, at 5:30 p.m., at the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, California.

Teresa Pomeroy, CMC
Secretary