#### **AGENDA**

Garden Grove Housing Authority

Tuesday,

November 24, 2020

6:30 PM

Patrick Phat Bui Chair Kim B. Nguyen Vice Chair **Carol Beckles** Commissioner

George S. Brietigam

Steven R. Jones

Commissioner

Commissioner **Stephanie Klopfenstein** Commissioner Diedre Thu-Ha Nguyen Commissioner John R. O'Neill Commissioner Stephen Solorio Commissioner



Community Meeting Center 11300 Stanford Avenue Garden Grove California 92840

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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. CONSENTITEMS

(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 September 2020. (*Action Item*)
- 2.b. Receive and file the Housing Authority Status Report for October 2020. (*Action Item*)
- 2.c. Receive and file minutes from the meeting held on September 22, 2020. (Action Item)

#### 3. MATTERS FROM CHAIR, COMMISSIONERS AND DIRECTOR

#### 4. ADJOURNMENT

The next Regular Housing Authority Meeting will be on Tuesday, December 22, 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 Date: 10/27/2020

Authority Status Report for September 2020. (Action

Item)

#### **OBJECTIVE**

For the Housing Authority Commissioners to receive and file the September 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 September 2020:

<u>Program Eligibility</u>: 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.

<u>INITIAL QUALIFICATION (IQ) INTERVIEWS</u>: Staff conducted no 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 4

<u>Briefings</u>: Two briefings were conducted this month, and 11 vouchers were issued.

<u>Re-certifications</u>: Staff conducted 221 re-examination interviews with participants to determine continued eligibility. 137 were interviewed who had interim changes in income, which necessitated an adjustment in their portion of the rent.

<u>Moves</u>: Staff met with 16 tenants currently on the program that were moving and were briefed on move procedures.

<u>Terminations</u>: There were 4 families who terminated from the program during the month.

<u>FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY PROGRAM (FSS)</u>: 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.

<u>Status of FSS participants this month</u>: There were no prospective FSS participants interviewed for the month of September. 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-two contracts are active. Six 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 35 escrow accounts. Thirteen 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.

<u>UNIT INSPECTIONS</u>: 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.

<u>New Leases</u>: There were 16 requests for new lease approvals with eight units passing and eight units failing.

Annuals: There were no annual inspections conducted this month.

Re-inspections: There were 13 re-inspections conducted on units that failed their

first inspection.

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

<u>Specials</u>: There were no special inspections conducted.

<u>Quality Control</u>: 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 September Housing Authority Status Report.

By: Danny Huynh, Housing Manager

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Description	Upload Date	Туре	File Name
Statistical report	10/6/2020	Cover Memo	Statistical_Report _September.pdf

# GARDEN GROVE HOUSING AUTHORITY "STATISTICAL REPORT" September 2020

I. <u>LEASED FAMILIES</u> Total Participating Families: Elderly: Disabled: Female Head of Household:	2517 1590 757 1378	<u>F</u>	100% 63% 30% 54%			
Employed:	<u>754</u>		30%			
II. <u>UNITS UNDER LEASE</u>	UNITS LEASED 2202	TOTAL U	ATED %	<u>LEASED</u> <u>2</u>	PORT IN ADMINISTE 315	_
III. CURRENT PAYMENT STANDARD	<b>1-BEDRM</b> \$1,624	<b>2-BEDRM</b> \$2,017	<u>3-BEDRN</u> \$2,819	<u>4+BEDR</u> \$3,256	— <u>ном</u>	
IV. RENTS AND INCOME	VOLCHEDE					
Average HAP Payment:	<b>VOUCHERS</b> \$1,175	2	\$5			
Average Tenant Rent:	\$409	-				
Average Contract Rent:	\$1,610					
Average Annual Income:	\$18,680					
Hard to House	7					
V. TOTAL NUMBER OF UNITS LEASED BY BEDROOM SIZE	1-BEDRM	2-BEDRM	3-BEDRM	4+BEDRM	MOBILE HOME	TOTAL
	1578	703	189	30	17	2517

## GARDEN GROVE HOUSING AUTHORITY "STATISTICAL REPORT"

#### September 2020

VI. MONTHLY ACTIVITY BY UNIT SIZE  MOBILE						
	1-BEDRM	2-BEDRM	3-BEDRM	4+BEDRM	HOME	TOTAL
New Admission	24	3				27
Annual Reexamination	135	45	17	2	2	201
Interim Reexamination	53	52	15	5	1	126
Portability Move-in (S8 only)	1					1
Portability Move-out (S8 only)	2					2
End Participation	2	1				3
Other Change of Unit	20	6	2			28
FSS/WtW Addendum Only			2			2
Annual Reexamination Searching (S8	2					2
Other Adult	7	1		S		8
Own Business		1				1

#### **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 Date: 11/24/2020

Authority Status Report for October 2020. (*Action Item*)

#### **OBJECTIVE**

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- (a) Emergency Situations 2
- (b) Referred by a Garden Grove Homeless Shelter 0
- (c) Incoming Portability 0

Briefings: Three briefings were conducted this month, and 16 vouchers were issued.

<u>Re-certifications</u>: Staff conducted 180 re-examination interviews with participants to determine continued eligibility. 111 were interviewed who had interim changes in income, which necessitated an adjustment in their portion of the rent.

<u>Moves</u>: Staff met with nine tenants currently on the program that were moving and were briefed on move procedures.

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<u>New Leases</u>: There were 15 requests for new lease approvals with three units passing and five units failing.

Annuals: There were no annual inspections conducted this month.

<u>Re-inspections</u>: There were seven re-inspections conducted on units that failed their first inspection.

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

<u>Specials</u>: There were no special inspections conducted.

<u>Quality Control</u>: 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 October Housing Authority Status Report.

By: Danny Huynh, Housing Manager

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Description	Upload Date	Туре	File Name
Statistical report	11/9/2020	Cover Memo	Statitical_ReportOct.pdf

# GARDEN GROVE HOUSING AUTHORITY "STATISTICAL REPORT" October 2020

I.	LEASED FAMILIES	NUMBER	<u><b>F</b></u>	MILIES	•		
	<b>Total Participating Families:</b>	2517		100%			
	Elderly:	1593		63%			
	Disabled:	757	_	30%			
	Female Head of Household:	1378		54%			
	Employed:	759		30%			
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IV	. RENTS AND INCOME	VOUCHERS			50		
	Average HAP Payment:	\$1,178					
	Average Tenant Rent:	\$410					
	Average Contract Rent:	\$1,614					
	Average Annual Income:	\$18,848			₩		
	Hard to House	5					
v.	TOTAL NUMBER OF UNITS LEASED BY BEDROOM SIZE	<b>1-BEDRM</b> 1579	<b>2-BEDRM</b> 700	<b>3-BEDR</b> 1	<b>M 4+BEDRM</b> 30	MOBILE HOME	<b>TOTAL</b> 2517
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## GARDEN GROVE HOUSING AUTHORITY "STATISTICAL REPORT"

#### October 2020

VI. MONTHLY ACTIVITY BY UNIT SIZE  MOBILE							
	1-BEDRM	2-BEDRM	3-BEDRM	4+BEDRM	HOME	TOTAL	
New Admission	6	7	11			14	
Annual Reexamination	116	68	27	ē2	2	215	
Interim Reexamination	67	55	23	1		146	
Portability Move-in (S8 only)	1					1	
Portability Move-out (S8 only)	2	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				2	
End Participation	2		F		1.5	2	
Other Change of Unit	12	7				19	
Annual Reexamination Searching (S8	1					1	
Other Adult	4	2				6	
Own Business	1					1	

#### Agenda Item - 2.c.

#### **City of Garden Grove**

#### INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To: Scott C. Stiles From: Teresa Pomeroy

Dept.: Director Dept.: Secretary

Subject: Receive and file minutes Date: 11/24/2020

from the meeting held on

September 22, 2020.

(Action Item)

Attached are the minutes from the meeting held on September 22, 2020, recommended to be received and filed as submitted or amended.

**ATTACHMENTS:** 

Description Upload Date Type File Name

Minutes 11/19/2020 Minutes ha-min\_09\_22\_2020.pdf

#### **MINUTES**

#### GARDEN GROVE HOUSING AUTHORITY

#### Regular Meeting

Tuesday, September 22, 2020

Community Meeting Center 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, CA 92840

#### **CONVENE MEETING**

At 6:31 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 AUGUST 2020 (F: H-117.2)

It was moved by Chair Bui, seconded by Commissioner Beckles that:

The Housing Authority Status Report for August 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, Solorio, K. Nguyen, Bui

Noes: (0) None

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

It was moved by Chair Bui, seconded by Commissioner Beckles that:

Minutes from the meeting held on August 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, Solorio, K. Nguyen, Bui

Noes: (0) None

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:34 p.m., Chair Bui adjourned the meeting. The next Regular Housing Authority Meeting will be held Tuesday, October 27, 2020, at 5:30 p.m., at the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, California.

Teresa Pomeroy, CMC Secretary

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