

HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Notes
January 18, 2007

Present:

Overton McGehee
Dave Norris
Cheri Lewis
Charlie Armstrong
Art Lichtenberger
Donna Smith – Region Ten
Peter Loach
Vicki Hawes
Carol Clarke
Natasha Sienitsky
Joy Johnson

Absent:

Theresa Deese
Noah Schwartz
Theresa Tapscott
Ron White
Mike Heckman
Angela Vanderhoof

Guests:

Staff:

Amy Kilroy

Summary of Meeting Notes:

- Rearranging of the agenda to put the Nominating committee presentation at the top:
Overton suggested the idea of having Co-Chairs for this group since the interests and backgrounds are diverse. Charlie Armstrong and Art Lichtenberger accepted their nominations and were voted in unanimously by the HAC members present at the meeting.
- Charlie took over the agenda to run the remainder of the meeting.
- Update on Status of Affordable Housing Conference – Natasha Sienitsky:
 - Natasha mentioned that both PHA and CAAR have tentative plans to hold their own housing related conferences in the spring.
 - Led to discussion at how to not duplicate efforts of conferences already in place
 - Peter will have Karen Reifenberger send out information regarding the PHA conference – Amy to circulate to group
 - Overton suggested not having mini-conferences over multiple weekends, but to do it all at the same time to get participants “rubbing shoulders” with one another while networking. Also because we would like it to become an annual event – (similar to Governor’s Housing Conference but more accessible to the public)
 - Possibility of getting a big name for the keynote speaker – draw more publicity
 - How to best start planning the event? – Small sub-group of HAC members to take the lead on logistics, report back at next meeting – the Fab Four includes: Carol, Natasha, Peter and Dave, also possibly to include city staff or intern(s).
 - Want to include City, County/Counties, University, Housing Advisory Committee

- Overton mentioned that IMPACT will be asking the City, County and University to develop a Universal Housing Plan which will be a very interesting project to follow-up about.
- Questions Raised:
 1. Weekday conference vs. Weekend conference?
 2. Is the Fall of 2007 too soon?
 3. How is CAAR going to play a role? – bring in Dave Phillips to talk with HAC about participating.
 4. How to get the University involved? – discussion about it being time for the University to step up. It either has to deal with the salary aspect or the providing assistance in finding housing aspect.
 5. How time sensitive is the HUD funding Natasha had mentioned? – Sounds like even if we are unable to access the HUD funding for this conference, we should be able to cover our costs.
 6. Solicitation of names for other members of the planning sub-committee –
- Update on status of CAHIP proposal – Dave Norris:
 - Proposal went to Council for a public hearing at Jan. 2nd meeting
 - Council instructed City Manager to incorporate aspects of proposal into larger City-wide budget
 - Continues to move along towards realization, next step is to attend County Housing Committee meeting to get their representatives on board.
- **Next meeting date is set for: Thursday, February 15th @ 12:00** (location – Basement Conference Room)
- **Future agenda items include:**
 1. Carol to invite Dave Phillips from CAAR to speak at the February meeting
 2. Housing Conference Sub-committee report from the Fab Four
 3. Workforce Housing Update – Cheri and Carol
 4. Review of Housing Directors Study and Recommendations –
Document and recommendations can be found at:
<http://www.tjpd.org/pdf/housing/StateofHousingReport.pdf>