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Minutes of the Public Hearing & Annual Meeting of The Housing Authority of Thurston County March 25, 2021

The regular meeting of the Housing Authority of Thurston County Board of Commissioners held on Thursday, March 25, 2021. This meeting was held virtually via Go To Meeting. There being a quorum, the meeting was called to order by Chair, Neil McClanahan.

Roll Call:

Commissioners: Jay Goldstein, Neil McClanahan, Holly Franco, Vag Mayi, Joelene Gioulis

Staff: HATC Staff

Public: No public acknowledged when asked for comment

Action: Approval of Minutes: Vag moved to approve the minutes from the February 25, 2021 board meeting. Holly seconded. Motion Carried.

Action: Approval of Vouchers: Jay moved to approve the vouchers dated February 2, 2021-March 1, 2021. Vag seconded. Motion Carried.

Agenda Item Discussion: Karen gave an update on her programs.

- Karen reminded that our next board meeting is early next month. It is April 15, 2021 due to the timing of the annual plan approval.
- Lease-ups are still difficult at this time, but we are working with partners and moving the process along.
- We will be working on a new RFP for Project Based Vouchers. Discussion followed.

Agenda Item Discussion: Tom gave updates on finance and development.

- Tom spoke about our recent audit. Everything is now complete in regards to the audit and Craig sent out the final audit reports to the board members. Overall, it was a good audit and we received compliments to all staff on a job well done.
- Tom stated that due to the earlier date of the board meeting next month, the quarterly financial statements might not be ready.
- Olympia Crest I siding project is on pause due to weather. We are hoping to start back up on April 1. The project is about half way done at this time.
- Olympia Crest III will have 28 units total. The project is still in the design phase. There was a neighborhood meeting took place. The Nisqually Tribe is requesting a survey be done. The North Thurston School District is requesting impact fees. Follow up discussions on both of these requests is being done.

- Craig spoke about the potential hotel project. We applied to the Save Olympia Home Funds, but the amount the committee is stating they can award us is significantly less than the amount we applied for. We are looking at applying for additional funds from other sources as well. The American Rescue Act, has money in it for the purchase of hotel properties and conversion to housing. We are looking into what is involved to be awarded those funds.
- Sequoia Landing was originally designed for 48 units, but we built 40. We are looking to see what funds may be available to build those additional units and possibly expand nearby.

Discussion followed

Other Business Discussion:

• Craig reminded the board about watching the OPMA and Basic Public Records training videos and to reply that they have watched them. Discussion followed.

Meeting Adjourned

Approved:

Neil McClanahan, Chair

Board of Commissioners

4/15/2021

Date