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Alliance for Housing Affordability Joint Board

Wednesday, February 23rd, 2022

Via Teams

4:30PM – 5:53PM

Meeting Minutes

Participating:

Kyoko Wright	City of Mountlake Terrace
Debora Nelson	City of Arlington
Kelly Richards	City of Marysville
Gary Petershagen	City of Lake Stevens
Becky McCrary	City of Everett
Glen Pickus	City of Snohomish
Linda Redmon	City of Snohomish
Kate Tourtellot	City of Marysville
Amber Piona	Snohomish County PDS
Sam Low	Snohomish County Council
Erin Murray	City of Mountlake Terrace
Jackie Anderson	Snohomish County HSD
Brad Shipley	City of Edmonds
Mark Smith	HCESC
Robei Broadous	Snohomish County HSD
Brooke Eidem	City of Snohomish
Duane Leonard	HASCO
Kristen Holdsworth	City of Lynnwood
Brent Kirk	City of Granite Falls
Chris Collier	AHA
Heather Fulcher	City of Monroe
Laura Johnson	City of Edmonds
Elizabeth Vogeli	City of Everett
Becky Ableman-McCrary	City of Everett
Stephanie Vignal	City of Mill Creek
Justin Horn	City of Mill Creek
Marc Hayes	City of Arlington
Karen Guzak	City of Snohomish

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Meeting called to order by Karen Guzak and Liz Vogeli at 4:33 PM.

2. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve 10-27-21 Minutes by Erin Murray, seconded by Duane Leonard. No discussion, passed unanimously.



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3. Program Manager Housing Presentation

Program Manager gave a summary presentation of most AHA data work to date to explain housing affordability challenges Snohomish County.

4. HASCO Memo to AHA Board

Duane Leonard introduced the memo HASCO sent to the AHA Board regarding taking a more active role in administration, staffing, and annual budgets. Noted past ambiguity in authority to make staffing decisions and maintaining momentum for AHA work products. Duane assured the Board this active engagement would include the Chair and Vice Chair of the Board.

Karen Guzak was supportive, encouraging HASCO to take this on as it is already the Administrative and Fiscal agent, and to ensure continuity of staffing in the program manager position. Becky supported Karen's statement and noted Everett's reliance on AHA's work to support their projects, particularly upcoming work on the Comprehensive Plan.

Liz Vogeli and Glen Pickus supported previous statements, with Glen observing Snohomish's reliance on AHA, to a greater degree due to its smaller size and lower staffing capacity. Stated it would be devastating to smaller jurisdictions to lose the AHA program manager.

Laura Johnson echoed previous statements, appreciating the clarity AHA has brought to understanding housing locally and regionally. Linda Redmon concurred with all of the above.

5. Chair / Vice Chair nominations

Discussed need for Chair & Vice Chair positions to be nominated and elected. Karen Guzak motioned, Stephanie Vignal seconded, nominating Liz Vogeli as the AHA Chair. No discussion, vote was unanimous.

Liz Vogeli motioned, Tom Rodgers seconded, the nomination of Karen Guzak as AHA Vice Chair. Debora Nelson spoke in support, having large and small jurisdiction considerations represented in leadership. Motion passed unanimously.

6. AHA Work Update

Program manager gave a brief update on current AHA work. Discussion focused on the Urban3 project and challenges encountered in accessing sales tax payer information from State DoR. Per DoR, cities must individually grant access to their information to AHA after demonstrating a business need. City staff to investigate feasibility of this approach. PM to place issue on next meeting agenda for discussion.

7. Next Steps

Karen Guzak encouraged the Board to reconvene on March 23rd to receive an update from HASCO related to staffing, and continue discussion of AHA work. Liz Vogeli seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting date set for March 23, 2022 at 4:30PM via teleconference.

8. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 5:59PM.