

MINUTES

Housing and Human Services Advisory Board
Thursday, March 10th 2016 6:30-8:30pm
200 N. Main Street
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
Lower Level Conference Room

Members Present: A. Freundl, A. Gilroy, T. Jabzanka, W. Leaf, E. Pollack, A. Carlisle, R. Sarri, G. Pratt, N. Wright, D. Blanchard, J. Steiner, A. Erickson

Members Absent: S. Briere (Excused), Z. Ackerman (Excused)

Staff Present: Brett Lenart, Andrea Plevak, Lindsay Wallace, Mirada Jenkins

Public: Wendy Carty-Saxon (Avalon Housing)

I. Convene Meeting:

T. Jabzenka, Chair, convened the meeting at 6:33 PM.

II. Approval of Agenda:

E. Pollack moved to approve the agenda; A. Freundl seconded. Motion Passed (A. Freundl, A. Gilroy, T. Jabzanka, W. Leaf, E. Pollack, A. Carlisle, R. Sarri, G. Pratt; 8 Aye, 0 Nay).

III. Approval of Minutes:

A. Carlisle moved to approve the January meeting minutes; A. Freundl seconded. Motion approved as amended (A. Freundl, A. Gilroy, T. Jabzanka, W. Leaf, E. Pollack, A. Carlisle, R. Sarri, G. Pratt, N. Wright joined at 6:35p; 8 Aye, 0 Nay).

IV. Public Comment:

None.

V. Action Items, Discussion Items and Updates:

A. **Introducing board member Julie Steiner (Moved to later in meeting agenda – New Member not yet here)**

Chair T. Jabzanka introduced new member Julie Steiner.

B. **Public Hearing for the HUD Action Plan**

OCED staff Lindsay Wallace, Mirada Jenkins and Brett Lenart presented an overview of the 2016-17 HUD Action Plan. A summary of proposed allocations and projects for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds was also shared.

Members discussed. No public was present to participate in the public hearing.

C. **AAAHF Application 815.821 Gott and Avalon Housing**

OCED staff Brett Lenart provided a brief overview of the request from Avalon Housing for Ann Arbor Housing Fund support for the acquisition and rehabilitation of 815, 821 Gott Street for \$50,000. Additional materials including a summary of the project and a comparison of this project to previous AAHF approved requests were provided. Due to the modest size of this request, other typical funding sources such as Low Income Housing Tax Credit funds would not be appropriate. He also shared that due to this request exceeding the \$25,000 threshold set in the bylaws, this request must go before City Council for final approval if the HHSAB recommends the request.

Wendy Carty-Saxon from Avalon Housing provided some additional detail on the purchase process, and shared the generous timeline provided from the sellers in order for Avalon to put together the funding necessary.

Members discussed the request. Some were concerned that approval of this request would reduce the balance of the AAHF to nearly zero. Members also discussed the specific sources of other funding for this project.

ACTION: J. Steiner moves to recommend the project to City Council for approval pending a positive outcome of Avalon's HOME funding application currently before the County for this project; R. Sarri seconded. Members discussed.

Yay - A. Gilroy, T. Jabzanka, W. Leaf, E. Pollack, A. Carlisle, R. Sarri, G. Pratt, N. Wright, D. Blanchard, J. Steiner, A. Erickson (11)

Nay –A. Freundl (1)

- VI. City Council Updates: Due to the election, the City Council meeting was moved to tonight and conflicted with this meeting. Neither council member could be present.
- VII. Public Comment: None.
- VIII. Adjournment:

D Blanchard moved to adjourn. A. Carlisle seconded. Motion passed meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.