

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (HCDC)**

April 27, 2016  
Fresno City Hall, Room 2165-A (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)  
2600 Fresno Street, Fresno, California 93721

**Commission Members Present:**

Bob Farrar, Chairperson  
Barbara Fiske, Vice Chairperson  
Brad Hardie, Commissioner  
Bob Reyes, Commissioner

**Commission Members Absent:**

Barry Falke, Commissioner

**Staff Members Present:**

José Trujillo, Manager Housing and  
Community Development Division  
Jennifer K. Clark, AICP, HDFP,  
Director D.A.R.M.  
Kelli Furtado, Assistant Director  
D.A.R.M.  
Tracy Parvanian, Deputy City Attorney  
III, City Attorney's Office  
Bonnie Christian, Recording Secretary  
Susie Williams, Sr. Admin Clerk

**Other Members Present:**

Richard Salinas, Spanish Interpreter  
Casey Vang, Hmong Interpreter

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Bob Farrar at 5:10 p.m.

**B. ROLL CALL**

Roll call was taken. Commissioner Barry Falke was not present.

**C. COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

**D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION: Vice Chair Fiske made a motion to approve the Agenda for April 27.

SECONDED: Commissioner Reyes

AYES: Chair Farrar, Vice Chair Fiske, Commissioners Hardie, and Reyes

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

## **E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- 1) Minutes of the HCDC meeting of February 24, 2016 to be approved.

MOTION: Commissioner Reyes made a motion to approve the HCDC meeting minutes of February 24, 2016.

SECONDED: Commissioner Hardie

AYES: Chair Farrar, Vice Chair Fiske, Commissioners Hardie and Reyes

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

- 2) Minutes of the HCDC meeting of March 14, 2016 to be approved.

MOTION: Commissioner Hardie made a motion to approve the HCDC meeting minutes of March 14, 2016.

SECONDED: Vice Chair Fiske

AYES: Chair Farrar, Vice Chair Fiske, Commissioners Hardie and Reyes

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

## **F. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**

- 1) Recommend Approval of Amendment No. I to the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program, Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Agreement with Habitat for Humanity Fresno, Inc., Granting a Time Extension for the Completion of the Laval/Belgravia Single-Family Housing Project.

Ms. Corrina Nunez, Project Manager, Housing and Community Development Division, gave a presentation, stating that the City is recommending that HCDC recommend to City Council Approval of Amendment I to Habitat's HOME CHDO Agreement to extend the completion date from May 1, 2016 to June 30, 2016. She continued, and stated that Matthew Grundy was present to answer any questions.

Chair Farrar opened the proceedings for public comment. There were no comments. Chair Farrar then asked for questions by commissioners. There were none.

MOTION: Commissioner Hardie made a motion to accept staff's recommendation to recommend to City Council approval of Item F-1.

SECONDED: Commissioner Reyes

AYES: Chair Farrar, Vice Chair Fiske, Commissioners Hardie and Reyes

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

- 2) WORKSHOP – Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (No Commission action will be taken on this item).

Mr. Jose Trujillo, Manager Housing and Community Development Division, introduced Mr. John Boyette from Western Economic Services, the City's consultant regarding the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing.

Mr. John Boyette, Senior Policy Analyst for Western Economic Services, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the results of the 2016 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice, explaining the three steps: to conduct an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice; to take action on any impediments that are found to overcome the effects of any impediments identified; and to maintain records of actions that are taken to assess what's working and what could work better.

He went over the details of the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) for the private sector, then went over the public sector impediments, stating there is the persistence of concentrated areas of poverty with disproportionate shares of racial/ethnic minority residents. He listed recommendations. He then described concentrations of public-assisted housing in the same areas, and gave recommendations. He understands that a mobility counselor has already been hired, which is another recommendation. He continued, and stated the Draft AI was well received, and the impediments and actions were considered good and appropriate.

Chair Farrar opened the proceedings for public comment.

Ms. Brunette Harris, with H.E.A.T. for Southwest Fresno Community, spoke in opposition of how the City has proceeded regarding how the community has been treated, and said it should be included in everything that's done before the City does it. Discussion continued.

- 3) WORKSHOP – Housing and Community Development Division Quarterly Report, January 1, 2016 – March 31, 2016 (No Commission action will be taken on this item).

Mr. Trujillo gave a workshop presentation on the Housing Division Third Quarter Report, January 1, 2016 through March 31, 2016. He went over accomplishments, and stated they will be meeting or exceeding their goal for the City-wide Rehab Program. He continued with the presentation.

- 4) Annual Action Plan: Hearing and Resolution.

Ms. Jennifer Clark, Director of Development and Resource Management Department, presented, explaining the proposed Annual Action Plan, implementation, and the process. She listed the four key priorities identified in the five-year plan, and described what the City has accomplished within the past year. She continued.

Chair Farrar explained the Public Hearing process. He then opened the Public Hearing.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

Ms. Brunette Harris, with H.E.A.T. for Southwest Fresno Community, spoke in opposition of the City's actions, and said that the City is not following federal, HUD, guidelines.

Chair Farrar closed the Public Hearing. Discussion proceeded. Chair Farrar asked if there was a motion on Item F-4.

MOTION: Commissioner Reyes made a motion to recommend to City Council the adoption of fiscal year 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan.

SECONDED: Commissioner Hardie

AYES: Chair Farrar, Vice Chair Fiske, Commissioners Hardie, and Reyes

NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None

## **G. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS**

Ms. Clark introduced Ms. Kelli Furtado, pointing out that there has been some reorganization in the Development and Resource Management Department and Ms. Furtado will become the new Assistant Director, specifically for this work in the D.A.R.M. Department.

## **H. COMMISSIONER ITEMS**

Vice Chair Fiske asked if the Commission's desire not to approve staff's recommendation on the item at the last HCDC meeting regarding the Housing Element's Plan Amendment A 16-001 was listed in the documents that City Council will receive on April 28. Ms. Clark affirmed and said it's in the staff report. Discussion ensued.

## **I. UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATION**

Ms. Clark requested that members of the public who are representing an agency come up to the microphone, introduce themselves, and state the name of the agency they're representing.

Ms. Laneesha Senegal introduced herself and stated she is with H.O.P.E., Helping Others Pursue Excellence.

Ms. Esther Delahay, introduced herself and stated she is with the Lowell Community Development Corporation.

Ms. Marina Harutyunyan introduced herself and stated she is a prospective HCDC commissioner, and added that she works with Habitat for Humanity.

Mr. Shawn Schaefer introduced himself and stated he is with City of Fresno PARCS.

## **J. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to bring before the Housing and Community Development Commission, the meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

The next scheduled Commission meeting is on May 11, 2016.

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Bob Farrar, HCDC Chairperson

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Kelli Furtado, Assistant Director  
Development and Resource Management