



City of Deltona

2345 Providence Blvd.
Deltona, FL 32725

Minutes

Affordable Housing Advisory Committee

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

5:00 PM

2nd Floor Conference Room

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: 8 - Chair Jodi Pena-Castaldi
Member Rachel Amoroso.
Member Commissioner Avila-Vazquez
Member Jean Armstrong
Member Terri Ellis
Member Cassie Landron
Member Manny Rodriguez
Vice Chair Michelle Wallace-Chin

Excused: 3 - Member Jahaira Delgado
Member Sylvia Hayes
Member Lillian Mendez

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES & AGENDA:

A. Minutes of February 20, 2024

Motion by Member Amoroso, seconded by Member Armstrong, to remove Kimberly Haney from the AHAC minutes of February 20, 2024. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Member Armstrong, seconded by Vice-Chair Wallace-Chin, to approve the AHAC minutes of February 20, 2024, as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

4. PRESENTATIONS/AWARDS/REPORTS:

None.

5. PUBLIC FORUM: Time permitted, public comments shall be limited to items on the agenda and shall not exceed two minutes. Please be courteous and respectful of the views of others. Personal attacks on Committee/Board members, City staff or members of the public are not allowed and will be ruled out of order by the Chair.

Chair Peña-Castaldi opened and closed Public Forum as there was none.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

None.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Election of Officers - Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson

Motion by Commissioner Avila-Vazquez to nominate Jodi Pena-Castaldi as Chair, seconded by Member Armstrong . The motion carried unanimously.

At the February 20, 2024 meeting a Motion was made by Member Armstrong, seconded by Chair Pena-Castaldi to nominate Member Wallace-Chin to Vice-Chair. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Florida Sunshine Law - Marsha Segal-George

City Attorney Marsha Segal-George gave a presentation to the Committee on the Sunshine Law. Members may not communicate with each other about items on the Agenda via text, email, online, over lunch, and social media just to give some examples.

If you have an issue or need to communicate to other members you would work through Staff. Staff would then determine what can and can't be sent. Ultimately, there's liability if Members communicate inappropriately on a Sunshine board; liability for the person who does it, the person who answers, and liability for the City.

As a Sunshine board, the meetings have to be open to the public, noticed, and minutes must be recorded.

C. (c) Flexible Densities & the Live Local Act - Jessica Entwistle

Mr. Hoppa said the Flexible Density strategy and the Live Local Act will be discussed at a future meeting.

8. STAFF COMMENTS:

Mr. Hoppa provided information regarding AHAC volunteers at the West Volusia Housing Fair.

Mr. Jones talked about staff visiting several churches to distribute information on the City's programs.

9. BOARD/COMMITTEE MEMBERS COMMENTS:

Commissioner Availa-Vazquez would like to have a Spanish brochure for the West Volusia Housing Fair.

Member Ellis commented that the City can piggyback on Team Volusia's Language Line contract for free.

Member Landron spoke about the upcoming West Volusia Housing Fair on April 6, 2024.

Vice-Chair Wallace-Chin, Chair Peña-Castaldi, and Member Rodriguez thanked staff.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Chairperson, Jodi Peña-Castaldi

ATTEST:

Committee Secretary, Don S. Hoppa