

Housing and Homelessness Solutions Committee Meeting Record

The Housing and Homelessness Solutions Committee meetings are recorded. Agenda materials are available online at www.dallascityhall.com. Recordings may be reviewed online at <https://dallastx.swagit.com/ad-hoc-committees>.
Note: This meeting was conducted via videoconference to comply with a social distancing mandate during a declared state of disaster.

Meeting Date: March 22, 2021

Convened: 9:01 a.m.

Adjourned: 11:15 a.m.

Committee Members Present:

Casey Thomas II, Chair
Cara Mendelsohn, Vice Chair
Carolyn King Arnold
Paula Blackmon
Chad West
Lee Kleinman
Jaime Resendez

Committee Members Absent:

N/A

Other Council Members Present:

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

BRIEFINGS

1. Approval of the February 22, 2021 Housing and Homelessness Solutions Committee Meeting Minutes

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): A motion was made to approve the minutes for the February 22, 2021 Housing and Homelessness Solutions Committee. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by: Jaime Resendez

Motion seconded by: Paula Blackmon

2. Fair Housing Updates: Overview of the Fair Housing Assessment Tool and Amendments to the Fair Housing Ordinance

Presenter(s): M. Elizabeth (Liz) Cedillo-Pereira, Chief of Equity and Inclusion; Barksdale Haggins, Fair Housing Administrator, Office of Equity and Inclusion; Dr. Priscylla Bento, Policy Manager, Office of Equity and Inclusion

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): The Committee was briefed on an overview of the Fair Housing Ordinance Update: Executive Order 13988, Ch. 20A-8 (C), and Fair Housing Assessment Tool. A motion was made to have this item brought back to Committee.

Motion made by: Carolyn King Arnold

Motion seconded by: Chad West

Item passed unanimously: X

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed unanimously:

Item failed on a divided vote:

3. Upcoming Agenda Item: The Sale of 50 Land Transfer Lots to Hedgestone Investments, LLC for the Development of 50 Single Family Homes

Presenter(s): David Noguera, Director, Department of Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): The Committee was briefed on an overview of an application from an eligible developer, Hedgestone Investments, LLC, for the purchase of fifty (50) Land Transfer lots. A motion was made to move this item to Council with committee recommendation.

Motion made by: Chad West

Motion seconded by: Cara Mendelsohn

Item passed unanimously: X

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed unanimously:

Item failed on a divided vote:

4. Upcoming Agenda Item: Community Development Block Grant Loan Agreement with Midpark Towers, LP for the Development of 202 Multifamily Units

Presenter(s): David Noguera, Director, Department of Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): The Committee was briefed on an overview of an April 14, 2021 Agenda Item to authorize a development loan agreement in an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000.00 of Community Development Grant (CDBG) funds with Midpark Towers, LP or an affiliate thereof (Applicant), conditioned upon Midpark Towers, LP for the acquisition and renovation of an affordable multifamily complex located at 8550 Midpark Road. The Applicant received a fundable score through the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) application process, and third party underwrite of Midpark Towers was completed to confirm the funding gap associated with the development. A motion was made to move this item to Council with committee recommendation.

Motion made by: Cara Mendelsohn

Item passed unanimously: X

Item failed unanimously:

Motion seconded by: Chad West

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

5. Office of Homeless Solutions Contract for Continuum of Care

Presenter(s): Christine Crossley, Director, Office of Homeless Solutions

Action Taken/Committee Recommendations(s): The Committee was briefed on an overview of the Continuum of Care (CoC) Shelter Plus Care Program grant through the Office of Homeless Solutions. A motion was made to move this item to Council with committee recommendation.

Motion made by: Chad West

Item passed unanimously: X

Item failed unanimously:

Motion seconded by: Paula Blackmon

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

6. Renewal of Contract with CitySquare of the Dallas Connector, a transportation system for persons experiencing homelessness

Presenter(s): Christine Crossley, Director, Office of Homeless Solutions

Action Taken/Committee Recommendations(s): The Committee was briefed on an overview of the system Enhancement (Dallas Connector) renewal contract through the Office of Homeless Solutions. A motion was made to move this item to Council with committee recommendation.

Motion made by: Paula Blackmon

Item passed unanimously: X

Item failed unanimously:

Motion seconded by: Chad West

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

7. Housing Policy Task Force recommendations on Amendments to the Comprehensive Housing Policy – Removal of the 9% Per Unit Cap and Forgivable Loans for Per Unit Cap and Forgivable Loans for Permanent Supportive Housing Projects

Presenter(s): Kyle Hines, Interim Assistant Director, Department of Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization

Action Taken/Committee Recommendations(s): The Committee was briefed on an overview of staff's presentation of the proposed changes to the Comprehensive Housing Policy, amongst other items to the Housing Policy Task Force. Information Only.

8. Property Management RFP for Properties Located at 1950 Fort Worth Ave, Dallas, Texas 75208 and 19373 Preston Rd. Dallas, Texas 75252

Presenter(s): Christine Crossley, Director, Office of Homeless Solutions

Action Taken/Committee Recommendations(s): The Committee was briefed on an overview of the City's proposal to award property management funding for the newly acquired hotel acquisitions to organizations that provide Solutions-Driven Property Management Practices that are proven, comprehensive, innovative and collaborative to provide maximum impact and effectiveness. Information only.

ADJOURN (11:15 a.m.)

APPROVED BY:

ATTESTED BY:

Casey Thomas II, Chair
Housing and Homelessness Solutions Committee

Gabriela Castillo, Coordinator
Housing and Homelessness Solutions Committee

DRAFT