



Housing & Community Development Committee

Tuesday, November 15, 2022 @ 7:00 PM

Virtual on Zoom

**COMMITTEE MEMBER
PRESENT:**

Monika Bobo, Committee Member, Juan Geracaris, Councilmember, Kathy Feingold, Hugo Rodriguez, Committee Member, Joanne Zolomij, Committee Member, Bobby Burns, Councilmember, Devon Reid, Councilmember, and Eleanor Revelle, Councilmember

**COMMITTEE MEMBER
ABSENT:**

Loren Berlin, Committee Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Sarah Flax, Interim Community Development Director; Marion Johnson, Housing and Grants Supervisor; Ana Elizarraga, Housing & Economic Development Analyst

GUESTS:

Amy Kaufman, Community Partners for Affordable Housing; John Barlett, Metropolitan Tenant's Organization

1. CALL TO ORDER/DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

Chair Revelle called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. SUSPENSION OF THE RULES

A. Suspension of The Rules

Motion to suspend the rules to allow for members to participate electronically or by phone.

Moved by Councilmember Geracaris

Seconded by Zolomij

Ayes: Bobo, Councilmember Geracaris, Feingold, Rodriguez, Zolomij, Councilmember Burns, Councilmember Reid, and Councilmember Revelle

Approved 8-0 on a recorded vote

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

A. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the October 18, 2022 meeting minutes

Moved by Zolomij

Seconded by Councilmember Geracaris

Ayes: Councilmember Geracaris, Zolomij, Councilmember Burns, Councilmember Reid, and Councilmember Revelle

Abstain: Bobo, Feingold, Rodriguez

Approved 5-3 on a recorded vote

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Tina Paden submitted verbal comment on Item 5-A – Approval of Renewal Funding to Administer the Inclusionary Housing Waitlist.

Doreen Price submitted verbal comment on Item 5-A – Approval of Renewal Funding to Administer the Inclusionary Housing Waitlist

Clare Kelly submitted verbal comment on Item 5-B – Approval of the Small/Medium Landlord Assistance Program

5. NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS

A. Approval of Renewal Funding to Administer the Inclusionary Housing Waitlist

Approval of \$50,000 for Community Partners for Affordable Housing (CPAH) to continue administering Evanston's Inclusionary Housing Ordinance (IHO) centralized waitlist and conduct income certifications, re-certifications of households, and compliance reviews for affordable units for the period of January 1, 2023 through December, 31, 2023.

Moved by Councilmember Reid

Seconded by Feingold

Ayes: Bobo, Councilmember Geracaris, Feingold, Rodriguez, Zolomij, Councilmember Burns, Councilmember Reid, and Councilmember Revelle

Approved 8-0 on a recorded vote

B. Discussion and Vote to Recommend Approval Small/Medium Landlord Assistance Program

Approval of the Small/Medium Landlord Assistance Program in the amount of \$500,000 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds by the Housing and Community Development Committee (HCDC). The Small/Medium Landlord Assistance Program will go to the City Council for approval on December 12, 2022, pending action by HCDC.

Moved by Councilmember Reid
Seconded by Feingold

Ayes: Feingold, Councilmember Reid, Bobo, Councilmember Geracaris,
Rodriguez, Zolomij, Councilmember Burns, and Councilmember Revelle

Approved 8-0 on a recorded vote

C. Approval of Renewal Contract for Landlord-Tenant Services with Metropolitan Tenants Organization and Lawyers' Committee for Better Housing for January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023

Staff recommends approval of a not to exceed \$66,735 renewal contract with Metropolitan Tenants Organization (MTO) and Lawyers' Committee for Better Housing (LCBH) for landlord-tenant services.

Moved by Councilmember Reid
Seconded by Bobo

Ayes: Bobo, Councilmember Geracaris, Feingold, Rodriguez, Zolomij,
Councilmember Burns, Councilmember Reid, and Councilmember Revelle

Approved 8-0 on a recorded vote

D. 2023 Planning: Needs and Priorities discussion

Staff presented 2023 planning, needs and priorities to the HCDC.

E. Vice-chair Nomination and Vote

Motion to approve Kathy Feingold as voting member of the Housing and Community Development Committee.

Moved by Councilmember Reid
Seconded by Bobo

Ayes: Bobo, Councilmember Reid, Councilmember Geracaris, Feingold,
Rodriguez, Zolomij, Councilmember Burns, and Councilmember Revelle

Approved 8-0 on a recorded vote

F. Staff Report

2023 DRAFT Action Plan - The 2023 DRAFT Action Plan public comment period began on 11/11/22, it will close at the 12/13/22 HCDC meeting.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Revelle adjourned the meeting at 9:02 p.m.