

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE
CITY OF OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA**

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Monday, March 24, 2014

REGULAR MEETING

The Oakland Housing Authority Board of Commissioners convened a Regular Meeting in the Board of Commissioners Room, first floor, at 1619 Harrison Street, Oakland, California on the above date. Chair Gregory D. Hartwig presided and called the meeting to order at approximately 6:04 p.m.

I. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Roll Call

Chair Gregory Hartwig, Vice-Chair Marlene Hurd, Janny Castillo, Barbara Montgomery, Tanya Pitts, Lynette Jung Lee. Commissioner Moses L. Mayne, Jr. joined the meeting at approximately 6:10 pm.

III. Approval of Minutes:

Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 24, 2014. Commissioner Castillo made a motion for approval, Commissioner Hurd seconded the motion; and the board voted unanimously.

IV. Old or Unfinished Business:

A. Consideration of a resolution approving the Oakland Housing Authority Fiscal Year 2015 Making Transitions Work (MTW) Plan.

Executive Director Johnson introduced the item and Dominica Henderson, Planning, Implementation and Compliance Director, who reviewed the MTW Report with the Commission.

[Commissioner Mayne joined the meeting at approximately 6:10 pm.]

There were no public comments on the MTW Plan submitted to the Agency by the deadline of March 7, 2014.

The Residents Advisory Board (RAB) held on March 6, 2014, was also notified of the MTW Public Comment Period and several comments were taken during that meeting.

Final questions were taken from the Commission by Ms. Henderson and Executive Director Johnson. Commissioner Pitts moved to approve the item; Commissioner Mayne seconded the motion; and the board voted unanimously for approval.

- B. Consideration of a resolution approving changes to the Oakland Housing Authority's Public Housing Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy (ACOP).

Commissioner Pitts moved to approve the item; Commissioner Mayne seconded the motion; and the board voted unanimously for approval.

- C. Consideration of a resolution approving changes to the Oakland Housing Authority's Section 8 Administrative Plan.

Commissioner Pitts moved to approve the item; Commissioner Montgomery seconded the motion; and the board voted unanimously for approval.

V. Modifications to the agenda

(Allows for any change in the order of business or the announcement of the postponement or continuation of agenda items.) The Board can only take action on items listed on this agenda unless a finding is made that an emergency exists or a need arose after agenda posting.

None.

VI. New Business

- A. Presentation and Recognition of Oakland Housing Authority Police Department officers.

Executive Director Johnson introduced the item and Chief Duplessis who gave the summary of the presentations and awards.

2013 Employee of the Year: Jackie Mesterhazy; 2013 Officer of the Year: Sergeant Morris.

Chair Hartwig expressed his appreciation to the police department for their outstanding community service. Executive Director Johnson thanked the award recipients for their excellent service and the police department for their leadership.

B. Special recognition of Oakland Housing Authority Scholarship applicants.

Executive Director Johnson introduced the item and asked Directors Janet Rice and Lenita Ellis to step forward to introduce the recipients. Other presenters were Resident Leadership Center (RLC) Committee members Bettye Lou Wright, Robert Mitchell and Dreena Rivera.

The following students were recognized:

Benjamin Wang
Khawla Al-Olefi
Han Tran
Donzahniya Pitre
Adre Shepard
Tanzania Jimmerson
Nyla Sepulveda
Tahjae Knox
Denne Dickson
Becky Ruan
Jerry Huang
Vallan Horton

C. Consideration of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Oakland to provide funding for up to 300 youth to participate in the 2014 Mayor's Summer Youth Employment Program, and authorizing amendments to the Fiscal Year 2014 and 2015 Budget to reallocate funds as needed for this Agreement in an amount up to \$450,000.

Executive Director Johnson introduced the item, and introduced John R. Bailey, Executive Director, City of Oakland Workforce Development who spoke about his passion behind the project and his own job experience as a youth.

Mr. Bailey thanked the Commissioners for their support of the program and for the good work that the Agency has been doing with the community.

D. Recognition of people wishing to address the Commission.

There were no speakers wishing to address the Commission.

VII. Written Communications.

Executive Director Johnson reviewed the materials in the report with the Commission.

VIII. Executive Director's Report.

Secretary Johnson reviewed the materials in the report with the Commission and noted the following:

Construction of Cathedral Gardens is over 75% complete;
HUD, Sandy Henriquez's letter provided extending OHA's MTW agreement to FY ending 2028, providing the HCV utilization level is at or above 90%.

IX. Reports of Commission Committees.

There were none.

X. Announcements by Commissioners.

Janny Castillo announced her involvement with an elementary school project of peacemakers regarding bullying behavior.

Marlene Hurd expressed her gratitude to Executive Director Johnson and Senior Communications Manager, Greer McVay, for improving the OHA website.

Marlene Hurd expressed feeling humbled by serving on the NAHRO International Committee which is addressing global homelessness of children.


Chair Hartwig expressed his thanks to Executive Director Johnson and Senior Communications Manager, Greer McVay for providing the educational talking points that were taken to Capitol Hill, during the NAHRO Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C.

XI. Adjournment.


Chair Hartwig opened the floor for adjournment, Commissioner Pitts moved to adjourn; Commissioner Mayne seconded the motion and the board voted unanimously. Adjournment took place at 7:17 pm.

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Gregory D. Hartwig, Chair of the Commission



Eric Johnson, Secretary