

Housing Opportunities Commission Minutes September 8, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. Virtual Online – WebEx Meeting

Members Present: Betzig-Lundberg, Carruthers, Chaput, Crowell, Moseley, Poser, Rogers, Councilmember

Werthmann

Members Absent: Filipczak, Peterson, Theisen

Staff Present: Allen, Draxler, Graybehl, Hufford, Johnathan

1. Call to Order by Chairperson Crowell at 5:00 p.m.

- 2. Roll Call Members and staff were present in person and virtually online.
- 3. Approval of meeting minutes of August 11, 2021, were approved on a motion by Commissioner Mosely and seconded by Commissioner Betzig-Lundberg.
- 4. Open Public Comment Period None.
- 5. Public Discussions
 - A. Affordable Housing Fund Policy Staff presented the revisions of the scoring sheet for the Affordable Housing Fund to the Commission. There was discussion and the fund scoring criteria matrix was approved as presented.
 - B. Barriers to Housing Development Staff presented three memos to the Commission relating to barriers found in City Code and potential barriers to implementing changes due to State and Federal regulations.
- 6. Other Business Agenda Items
 - A. Annual Work Plan review The Commission is interested in advancing ordinance review and policy review as the next two topics of the work plan. Members hope that review of the zoning ordinance will counter segregation of residents in Eau Claire.
 - B. Staff Updates No updates.
- 7. Discussion and Direction
 - A. Future Agenda Items
 - a. Projects in the Pipeline
 - b. LITHC projects presentation
 - c. ARPA funding updates Staff noted that a 'Listening Session' was scheduled the following day to receive input on community goals for spending ARPA funding.
 - B. Announcements None.
- 8. On a motion by Commissioner Poser and seconded by Vice Chairperson Chaput the meeting adjourned at 5:51 p.m.