



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MINNEAPOLIS PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY
IN AND FOR THE CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS
August 28, 2019**

The Minneapolis Public Housing Authority in and for the City of Minneapolis met in a regularly scheduled meeting at 1:30 P.M. on August 28, 2019, at 1001 Washington Avenue North, Minneapolis, Minnesota, the date, time, and place established for the holding of such meeting.

Roll Call:

The Chair called the meeting to order, the following members of the Board being present:

Sharmarke Issa	Chair
Mikkel Beckmen	Secretary
Abdullahi Isse	Commissioner
Tamir Mohamud	Commissioner
Hon. James Rosenbaum	Commissioner
Tessa Wetjen	Commissioner

The following members of the Board were absent:

Andrea Brennan	Vice Chair
Cara Letofsky	Commissioner
Faith Xiong	Commissioner

The following others were also present:

Tracey Scott	Interim Executive Director / CEO
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The Chair declared the presence of a quorum.

Approval of Agenda:

Commissioner Rosenbaum moved approval of the proposed agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mohamud. Upon a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 24, 2019, were presented for approval. Commissioner Mohamud moved the minutes be accepted as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Isse. Upon a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.



Executive Director's Update:

In an effort to keep MPHA Commissioners, staff and the public informed regarding significant activities being addressed by the Agency, Interim Executive Director/CEO Scott spoke briefly on the topics shown below, upon which the Board took no official action:

Section 18 Application

- MPHA's Section 18 application to HUD was approved for 717 units. Originally, we applied for 736 units, however, based on HUD's rules around some of our multi-unit properties, those units are not part of the approval. The Section 18 approval will increase MPHA's funding up to 3 or 4 times more per unit, which we intend to operate like public housing. We have up to 180 days to implement any changes and we're currently working on plans on how we do that. The residents, during this process, will not be affected, though, they may be getting notices about inspections we have to do in order to move the properties forward. Communications to the residents regarding the next steps in the process are being prepared. Implementing these changes should start early next year. This funding increase will help us to achieve both rehabbing the 717 units, as well as supporting the additional rehabilitation and improvements that we want to make in the rest of MPHA's portfolio.

Mayor's 2020 Budget Presentation

- During the Mayor's presentation on the City's budget he included money that will benefit MPHA. We are scheduled to receive \$250,000 for the PILOT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes) refund; \$200,000 for public housing security; \$3.3 million for Stable Homes Stable Schools, the partnership with the City of Minneapolis and the Minneapolis Public Schools (Funding is part of the original proposal from last year and the second year of the three-year pilot program); \$25,000 for the Healthy Living Initiative; and \$2.3 million for energy efficiency improvements. This is significant as we see this as a great partnership with the city to improve our buildings, and, by adding energy efficiencies we are also reducing the carbon footprint for the city. As the largest landlord in the city anything we can do leads to a great impact for the entire community. We are grateful to the Mayor for recommending funding from the city to help us facilitate these improvements.

The Chair announced the members of the Search Committee for MPHA's new Executive Director/CEO. The members are Chair Issa, Commissioners Brennan, Mohamud and Rosenbaum, City Council Member Cam Gordon and the Mayor's appointee, Abdi Salah, Senior Policy Aide for the Mayor. The first meeting of the committee will be held in mid-September 2019.

Item No. 1: Medical and Dental Insurance Provider Contracts

After a brief presentation by staff and discussion, Commissioner Rosenbaum moved approval of the recommendation set forth in the Report. Commissioner Isse seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried. [See Document No. 2019-34]



Receive and File Items:

The following items were received and filed by the Board:

- The Monthly Performance Report for July 2019. [See Document No. 2019-35]
- Resident Advisory Board New Members [See Document No.2019-36]

Public Hearings:

- The Board conducted two public hearings. The meetings were open to public testimony, notice of which appeared in the Minneapolis Star Tribune on July 14, 2019. Interested residents and parties were invited to express their comments regarding the RAD Amendments to the 2019 MTW Annual Plan and the MPHA 2020 Moving to Work Annual Plan. Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the public hearings were adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the meeting, and upon a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Secretary of the Board of Commissioners

Date These Minutes Approved