



**Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, June 8, 2021**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Sandra Price, Board Chairperson

Present:

Sandra Price – Board Chairperson
Richard Weisenhoff – Vice Board Chairperson
Patricia Branch – Board Member
Jerome Rollerson – Board Member
Judi McCormick – Board Member
Young Smith – Board Member
Jennifer Jones - Deputy Chief of Staff, County Administration
Kelly Cimino – Director, Department of Housing and Community Development
Cheryl Mattis - Deputy Director, Department of Community Resources and Services
Lila Boor – Investigator, Office of Consumer Protection

The minutes from the May 11, 2021 meeting were approved.

Guest Speaker Kelly Cimino gave a presentation to the Board on the new Housing Opportunities Master Plan that was just released in May 2021. The following are highlights from her presentation:

- It is important to address the needs of all County residents;
- There is a need for more affordable and diverse housing options in the County;
- There is a lack of housing for all income levels, and the supply is not keeping up with the demands;
- Current resources are not sufficient to meet current and future demands. There will be a task force set up to make recommendations and offer strategies to improve housing opportunities.

Business Discussed:

Lila Boor gave updates from the Office of Consumer Protection:

- All employees will return to work in County offices full time beginning July 6, 2021;
- All offices will open to the public on August 2, 2021;
- Korean Volunteers for the hotline can resume as of July 13, 2021;
- The new changes to the County's Landlord/Tenant law have been posted on the Department of Community Resources and Services Facebook page, and will be posted on the Consumer Protection webpage;
- The Ad placed in the Korean Times has been updated;
- The County Council has approved funding for the Office Administrator position;
- Lila Boor has reached out to Kim Prui in County Administration to check on possible candidates to fill the Board's vacancy position;
- Lila Boor shared some current complaints handled by the Office, as well as a new scam;
- Cheryl Mattis informed the Board that the Office will be tracking phone calls coming in pursuant to the Ad placed in the Korean Times.
- The Office has received two complaints from the Korean line in the past few weeks.

Discussion on Planning the Landlord/Tenant Event to Take Place in October, 2021:

- Sandra Price reviewed the plan prepared for the event, entitled "Navigating the Landlord/Tenant Relationship";
- Jennifer Jones asked the Board to inform her of the date the event will be held as soon as possible;
- Lila Boor confirmed that the following County agencies will be participating:
- The Office of Human Rights and Equity, Housing Commission, and the Department of Housing;
- Lila Boor said that she hadn't heard back from the Department of Licenses, Inspections and Permits, but will follow-up;
- Sandra Price asked Lila Boor to provide her with contact information on the agencies participating;
- Patricia Branch made a motion to approve the plan, and it was seconded by Jerome Rollerson;
- Sandra Price stated that she and Richard Weisenhoff will continue to work on the plan for the event over July and August;
- Cheryl Mattis said that she will coordinate with Jarett Carter to come up with a date for the virtual event.
- Patricia Branch inquired if the Board could meet in person in the Fall;
- Cheryl Mattis said that she will work with Lila Boor to schedule conference room meeting space;
- Sandra Price said she would like to have "hybrid" meetings, so not everyone has to attend in person.

Announcements:

- Sandra Price announced that she has started a new job at Hope Works, a non-profit organization.
- The next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 14, 2021 at 7:00 PM.
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 PM by Sandra Price, Board Chairperson.