

Minutes of Regular Meeting
HOUSING PROGRAMS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Village of Oak Park
July 19, 2023
7:00 pm – Room 215

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was officially called to order at 7:16 p.m. by Chairperson, Dominic Tocci

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Dominic Tocci (Chair), Jonathan Burch, Michael Denton and Adebayo Owolewa

ABSENT: Keith Spencer, two vacancies

STAFF PRESENT: Jeffrey J. Prior (staff liaison)

PUBLIC PRESENT: None

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA: Mr. Jonathan Burch moved to approve the agenda. Mr. Adebayo Owolewa seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT: No non-agenda public comment was provided.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mr. Jonathan Burch moved to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2023 meeting. Mr. Michael Denton seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING INCENTIVES PROGRAM (MFHIP): Chair Tocci opened a discussion on whether the current MFHIP is the right tool to obtain affirmative moves within the community. Rather than paying for improvements in the buildings along with an associated Marketing Service Agreement (MSA) with the Oak Park Regional Housing Center would the program be better served by paying the property owners directly for affirmative moves. Mr. Prior was able to provide a review of the history and development of the program and guidelines. The members requested to talk to someone from the Housing Center to fully understand their process in affirmatives moves. Members would also like to see data related to the MFHIP program.

HOUSING TRUST FUND: Mr. Prior reported that the notification for the request for proposals for the use of the Housing Trust Fund for affordable housing project(s) went out on July 10th. Proposals are due by August 25th and will be reviewed by HPAC during the September 20th meeting and, if needed, the October 18 meeting. This provides time to present to the Board for projects to be started in January 2024.

HPAC 2023 WORKPLAN: A quick review of the workplan was discussed.

OTHER BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Michael Denton moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m. Mr. Adebayo Owolewa seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeffrey J. Prior, Staff Liaison