



MINUTES AD HOC VETERANS AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE

May 5, 2015

Irvine Civic Center
One Civic Center Plaza
Conference Room L102
Irvine, California

CALL TO ORDER

A special meeting of the Ad Hoc Veterans Affordable Housing was called to order on May 5, 2015 at 4:07 p.m. in Conference Room L102 at Irvine Civic Center, One Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, California.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Member McDonald led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:	CHAIRWOMAN	Christina Shea
	MEMBER	Anthony Kuo
	MEMBER	Bobby McDonald
	MEMBER	Patricia Whitaker
	MEMBER	William Woollett, Jr.
ABSENT:	VICE CHAIR	Jeffrey Lalloway
	MEMBER	Ronnie Guyer

Also present were Mark Asturias, Housing Manager; Tim Gehrich Acting Director of Community Development; and Kim Radding, Recording Secretary.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Mark Asturias introduced Jim Palmer, Rob Jewel and Colonel Bill Hammerle present to provide information about the Veterans Joint Task Force (Item 2).

A flier was distributed to all Committee Members promoting a landlord resource fair "Help Us House Our Heroes" to be held on Saturday, May 9 hosted by the Orange County Housing Authority.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ACTION: It was moved by Member Woollett, seconded by Member Whitaker and approved by the following vote to adopt the Minutes of the March 3, 2015, meeting of the Ad Hoc Veterans Affordable Housing Committee as submitted.

AYES: 5 MEMBERS: Kuo, McDonald, Shea, Whitaker, Woollett

NOES: 0 MEMBERS:

ABSTAIN: 0 MEMBERS:

ABSENT: 2 MEMBERS: Guyer, Lalloway

2. ORANGE COUNTY RESCUE MISSION VETERANS JOINT TASK FORCE PRESENTATION

Orange County Rescue Mission representatives Jim Palmer, President and Rob Jewel, Veterans Outreach Coordinator, presented the report. Information was provided about the scope of services offered through The Village of Hope located in Tustin, which serves veterans throughout Orange County.

Darlene Matthews, veteran, expressed a desire to see a broader service offering made available to female veterans.

Members discussed conducting a future Committee meeting at The Village of Hope site.

ACTION: Receive and file.

3. QUALIFIED VETERAN STATUS FOR HOUSING PROGRAMS

Mark Asturias presented the report.

ACTION: It was moved by Chair Shea, seconded by Member McDonald and approved by the following vote to set forth a platform requiring that a qualified veteran must have been discharged from service under honorable conditions or conditions other than dishonorable.

AYES: 5 **MEMBERS:** Kuo, McDonald, Shea, Whitaker, Woollett

NOES: 0 **MEMBERS:**

ABSTAIN: 0 **MEMBERS:**

ABSENT: 2 **MEMBERS:** Guyer, Lalloway

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

Chair Shea invited Committee Members to communicate directly with staff regarding topics to be placed on future Committee agendas.


PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ed Garza, a member of Military Families Speak Out, remarked that the organization is currently working in conjunction with the Veterans Hospital located in Long Beach to allow overnight parking on premises for veterans living in their vehicles.

ADJOURNMENT

By consensus, Chairwoman Shea adjourned the meeting at 5:23 p.m. to the next meeting of the Ad Hoc Veterans Affordable Housing Committee on June 2, 2015, at 4:00 p.m.

June 9 2015
Date


CHAIR


RECORDING SECRETARY