



# **MINUTES AD HOC VETERANS AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE**

**March 3, 2015**

Irvine Civic Center  
One Civic Center Plaza  
Conference and Training Center  
Irvine, California

## **CALL TO ORDER**

A special meeting of the Ad Hoc Veterans Affordable Housing was called to order on March 3, 2015 at 4:03 p.m. in the Conference and Training Center at Irvine Civic Center, One Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, California.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairwoman Shea led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **ROLL CALL**

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

Also present were Mark Asturias, Housing Manager; Barry Curtis, Manager of Planning Services; and Kim Radding, Recording Secretary.

## **ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA**

None.

## **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Mark Asturias welcomed Member Bobby McDonald with a brief introduction.

Committee Members were provided with a copy of *The State of the American Veteran: The Orange County Veterans Study*. A study conducted by the USC School of Social Work Center for Innovation and Research on Veterans & Military Families. This publication will be posted for public access on the Committee web page at [cityofirvine.org](http://cityofirvine.org).

## **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

### **1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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

<b>AYES:</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>MEMBERS:</b>	<b>Guyer, Kuo, Shea, Whitaker, Woollett</b>
<b>NOES:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>MEMBERS:</b>	
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>MEMBERS:</b>	<b>McDonald</b>
<b>ABSENT:</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>MEMBERS:</b>	<b>Lalloway</b>

### **2. AD HOC VETERANS AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE MISSION STATEMENT**

Mark Asturias presented the report.

The committee instructed staff to research and report on the qualifications defined by local, state and federal programs serving veterans.

Darlene Mathews addressed the Committee to suggest that the scope of work be extended to include supportive housing and shelter programs for veterans. Ms. Mathews expressed the importance of compliance with HUD criteria in order to receive federal funding.

**ACTION:** It was moved by Member Guyer, seconded by Member Kuo and approved by the following vote to adopt a revised mission statement and continue analysis to define veteran qualifications and the scope of work for the Committee. Adopted Mission Statement:

The Ad Hoc Veterans Affordable Housing Committee shall develop draft policy recommendations to address and support the housing needs of veterans in the City of Irvine and make appropriate recommendations to the City Council for adoption.

<b>AYES:</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>MEMBERS:</b>	<b>Guyer, Kuo, McDonald, Shea, Whitaker, Woollett</b>
<b>NOES:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>MEMBERS:</b>	
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>MEMBERS:</b>	
<b>ABSENT:</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>MEMBERS:</b>	<b>Lalloway</b>

**3. PRESENTATION – REVIEW OF CITY RESIDENTIAL ENTITLEMENT PROCESS**

Barry Curtis, Manager of Planning Services, presented the report and PowerPoint presentation.

The Committee requested a breakdown of information be provided listing existing and potential affordable housing locations by Planning Area.

*Member McDonald departed from the meeting prior to the vote on this item.*

**ACTION:** It was moved by Member Woollett, seconded by Member Kuo and approved by the following vote to receive and file the report.

<b>AYES:</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>MEMBERS:</b>	<b>Guyer, Kuo, Shea, Whitaker, Woollett</b>
<b>NOES:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>MEMBERS:</b>	
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>MEMBERS:</b>	
<b>ABSENT:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>MEMBERS:</b>	<b>Lalloway, McDonald</b>

**4. PRESENTATION – AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAMS**

Rochelle Mills, Director of Housing and Business Development with Innovative Housing Opportunities delivered the report and PowerPoint presentation.

Ms. Mills informed the Committee of a proposed Affordable Housing Development Agreement that would provide for 80 affordable rental housing units to be constructed at 17275 Derian and would stipulate placement preference to qualified veterans.

**ACTION:** It was moved by Member Guyer, seconded by Member Kuo and approved by the following vote to receive and file the report.

<b>AYES:</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>MEMBERS:</b>	<b>Guyer, Kuo, Shea, Whitaker, Woollett</b>
<b>NOES:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>MEMBERS:</b>	
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>MEMBERS:</b>	
<b>ABSENT:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>MEMBERS:</b>	<b>Lalloway, McDonald</b>

### COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

The Committee directed staff to invite a representative from the County of Orange to attend a future meeting and present information about veterans' programs administered by the County.

Members determined that a meeting will not be scheduled for April 5. The next meeting date will be determined by poll of members.

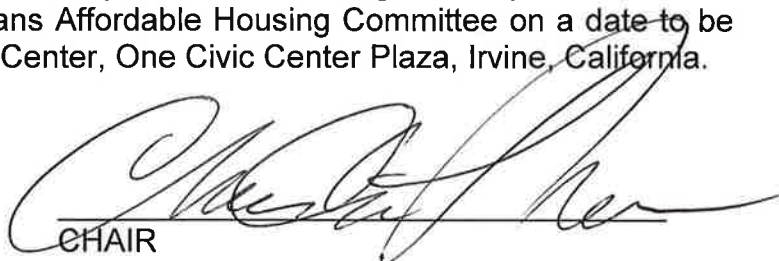
### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Robert Kohler, advocated for homeless veterans, contributed comments in support of the Committee's mission. Mr. Kohler provided informational handouts to the Committee about Housing Choice Vouchers and the HUD-VASH program.

### ADJOURNMENT

By consensus, Chairwoman Shea adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p.m. to the next meeting of the Ad Hoc Veterans Affordable Housing Committee on a date to be determined at the Irvine Civic Center, One Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, California.

05-05-2015  
Date

  
CHAIR

  
RECORDING SECRETARY