

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FAIRFAX COUNTY
REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING AUTHORITY

September 16, 2020, Special Meeting

On September 16, 2020, the Commissioners of the Fairfax County Redevelopment and Housing Authority (FCRHA) met electronically via an audio conferencing line because it was not safe to physically assemble a quorum due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

CALL TO ORDER

FCRHA Chair Robert Schwaninger called the Special Meeting of the FCRHA to order at 5:31 p.m. Attendance for all, or part of the meeting, was as follows:

PRESENT

Robert Schwaninger, Chairman
C. Melissa McKenna, Vice Chair
Matthew Bell
Broderick Dunn
Kenneth Feng
Lenore Kelly
Richard Kennedy
Albert J. McAloon
Ezra Rosser
Rod Solomon

ABSENT

The remote locations from which each Commissioner testified are:

Robert Schwaninger, Chairman – Annandale, Virginia
C. Melissa McKenna, Vice Chair – Herndon, Virginia
Matthew Bell – Alexandria, Virginia; arrived after meeting start
Broderick Dunn – Burke, Virginia; arrived after meeting start
Kenneth Feng – Herndon, Virginia
Lenore Kelly – Fairfax, Virginia
Richard Kennedy – Reston, Virginia
Albert J. McAloon – Springfield, Virginia
Ezra Rosser – Hartsel, Colorado
Rod Solomon – Oakton, Virginia

Also present at the meeting via telephone were the following staff of the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD): Thomas Fleetwood, Director; Amy Ginger, Deputy Director, Operations; Teresa Lepe, Deputy Director, Real Estate, Finance and Development; Vincent Rogers, Director, Policy and Compliance (P&C); Benjamin Boxer, Marketing and Outreach Manager, P&C; Stephen Knippler, Senior Program Manager, P&C; Seema Ajrawat, Director, Financial Management and Information Systems and Services (FM-ISS); Jason Chia, Information Technology

Manager, FM-ISS; Stuart Stallman, Financial Specialist, FM-ISS; George Rodriguez, Information Technician, FM-ISS; Shirley Scott, Network Analyst, FM-ISS; Mike Trent, Network Analyst, FM-ISS. Also participating via telephone was FCRHA Counsel: Alan Weiss, Assistant County Attorney. Public access was achieved because the call-in information for the audio conferencing line was properly noticed.

FCRHA Chairman Schwaninger passed the virtual gavel to Vice Chair McKenna.

MOTION

After a complete roll call of the Commission, Chairman Schwaninger made a motion that each Commissioner's voice may be adequately heard by each other Commissioner of the FCRHA.

Commissioner Kennedy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION

Chairman Schwaninger made a motion that the State of Emergency caused by the COVID-19 pandemic makes it unsafe for the FCRHA to physically assemble and unsafe for the public to physically attend any such meeting, and that as such, the Freedom of Information Act's (FOIA) usual procedures, which require the physical assembly of the FCRHA and the physical presence of the public, cannot be implemented safely or practically. Chairman Schwaninger further moved that the FCRHA may conduct this meeting electronically through a dedicated audio conferencing line, and that the public may access this meeting by calling 1-877-336-1829 and entering access code 7703575.

Commissioner McAloon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION

Chairman Schwaninger made a motion that all of the matters addressed on the September 16, 2020 agenda must address the Emergency itself, are necessary for continuity in Fairfax County government, and/or are statutorily required or necessary to continue operations and the discharge of the FCRHA's lawful purposes, duties, and responsibilities.

Commissioner McAloon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ORIENTATION TO THE WEBEX VIRTUAL MEETING SYSTEM

Jason Chia, Information Technology Manager, HCD, provided the FCRHA Commissioners with an orientation to the Webex virtual meeting system.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 6:06 p.m.

(Seal)

Robert Schwaninger, Chairman

Thomas Fleetwood, Assistant Secretary