

Minutes of the Affordable Housing Council (AHC)
Tuesday, December 12, 2017
2:30 pm to 5:00 pm
Citizen Service Division Building – Main Conference Room
401 Sagner Ave.
Frederick, MD

Call to Order: Chairman Bruce Zavos called the meeting to order at 2:30PM.

AHC Members Present: Bruce Zavos, Chair; Mark Long, Sec; Jason Wiley; Shirley McDonald; Jay Mason, Marva Younger; and Malcolm Furgol; Diane Bill.

Public Officials/Staff Liaisons Present: Ray Barnes, Frederick County CAO; Monica Grant, Director CSD; John Mathias, County Attorney; Gary Hessong, Office of Planning and Permitting Division; Jessica Fitzwater, County Council; Donna Kuzemchak, Frederick City Alderwoman; Milton Bailey, Director of DHCD; Sarah Nelson, DHCD; Veronica Henry, Frederick City Housing Authority; and Robin Inskeep, Finance Division.

Council Members Absent: Kimberly Ashkenazi, Vice Chair; Angie Liddiard; Kandy Alexander; and Mary Ellen Mitchell

Guests Present: Kellye Murphy, Frederick County Bank; Hugh Gordon, IHA; Kia Hagen, Envision Frederick County; Ed Hinde, SHIP; Tom Hyde, Miller & Smith; James Baker, United Way;

COMMENCEMENT of MEETING

Approval of Minutes: Minutes for the November 14th meeting were approved as submitted.

Agenda: was approved as presented.

Announcements: None.

Regular Business:

2:35: 2017 Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Legislation Discussion: The ADU legislation crafted by County Council President Bud Otis and Mark Lancaster was the principle topic of discussion. Mr. Ray Barnes, CAO, opened the discussion by stating that the CE is in favor of ADU legislation that meets the needs of Frederick County citizens. Donna Kuzemchak, Frederick City Alderwoman, presented the Bill review findings of the AHC Subcommittee on Zoning/Code Improvement. After a technical discussion of the proposed Bill, it was determined by a “sense of the AHC” that the legislation as proposed did not sufficiently address the multifaceted and highly complex aspects required to garner the support of the AHC. It was decided that Chairman Zavos and Secretary

Mark Long would contact Council President Otis and Mark Lancaster to share the AHC's concerns and to work closely with the Bill's authors to craft legislation that accomplishes a greater good.

4:45: 2017 Builder Fees Discussion: Jason Wiley presented the findings of the AHC's Subcommittee on Builder Fees.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:00 pm.

Submitted by Mark Long, AHC Secretary and Milton Bailey, Director, Department of Housing and Community Development and Staff Liaison to the AHC.

Next regularly scheduled meeting will be on January 9, the second Tuesday of the month, and will be held in the Main Conference room at 401 Sagner Ave., Frederick.