

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY BOARD (AHAB)
MEETING MINUTES
October 10, 2018**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Joseph Chambers
Angela Y. Thomas
Lucie Ghioto
Reinaldo Rodriguez
Lyndell Mims
Lecia Gray

MEMBERS ABSENT

Patricia Rice
JaJa Wade
Elizabeth Badillo
Zoe Colon
Joseph Reyes

ORANGE COUNTY STAFF

Shawn Tan, Program Development Supervisor, SHIP Administrator, HCD
Dorenda Christian, Program Manager, HCD
Nikki Everett, Senior Housing Assistant, HCD
Julia Kindell, Housing Assistant, HCD
Crystal Chin, Housing Assistant, HCD
Susan Cannon, Administrative Specialist, HCD

I. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The meeting began at 9:08 a.m. There were no public comments made.

II. NEW BUSINESS

A. Elect New Chair & Vice Chair

Board Member Joseph Chambers put forth a motion for Lyndell Mims to serve as Chairperson. Board Member Reinaldo Rodriguez seconded. The motion carried with no votes opposed. Board Member Lyndell Mims put forth a motion for Reinaldo Rodriguez to serve as Vice-Chair. Board Member Lucie Ghioto seconded. The motion carried with no votes opposed.

B. Staff Update

Shawn Tan introduced Dorenda Christian as a new Program Manager joining the Housing and Community Development Division. Ms. Christian will provide oversight for this Board going forward.

C. Disaster Relief Funds Update

Shawn Tan shared that Orange County received \$770,000 from the State of Florida to provide Housing Rehabilitation services to income-qualifying households for repairs specifically related to Hurricane Irma damage.

Mr. Tan explained that the State of Florida received \$616 Million from the Federal government for disaster recovery. Eighty-percent (80%) of those dollars are allocated for the ten (10) hardest-hit regions, which includes Orange County. Florida Housing has finalized an action plan for those funds. They will be administered by

the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity. Two additional “batches” of monies are coming to Florida from the Federal government for disaster recovery. However, no action plan has been drafted to allocate those funds.

Several Board Members shared their thoughts on how we could publicize the Housing Rehabilitation program to be proactive in reaching low income communities and encourage them to apply for services.

D. SHIP Annual Report

The SHIP Annual Report for the fiscal year '15-'16 was just finalized. Of the \$4.7 Million dollars awarded, approximately \$3 Million was spent on the Down Payment Assistance program and approximately \$1 Million on the Rehabilitation program.

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- A. Board Member Lyndell Mims put forth a motion for the advisory board to approve the minutes from the meeting on July 11, 2018. Board Member Joe Chambers seconded. The motion carried with no votes opposed.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Prepared By:

Attest By:

Susan Cannon, Administrative Specialist

Chairman, AHAB

Date

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