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COMMISSION ON HOUSING AFFORDABILITY

Minutes for September 5, 2023

Hybrid Meeting: In Person & Via Zoom

Members Present

Representing

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| Senator Lincoln Fillmore | Senator |
| Representative Stephen Whyte | Representative |
| Nate McDonald | Executive Director DWS Designee |
| Christina Oliver | Director, Housing & Community Development |
| Andrew Johnston | Salt Lake City |
| Christopher Gamvroulas | Utah Homebuilders Association |
| Wayne Niederhauser | State Homelessness Coordinator |
| David Damschen | Utah Housing Corporation President |
| Dina Blaes | Salt Lake County |
| Ginger Chinn | Salt Lake Chamber |
| Janice Kimball | Public Housing Authority |
| Beth Holbrook | President of UTA |
| Kyle Palmer | Governor’s Office of Economic Opportunity |
| Rachelle Custer | Tooele County |
| Nicholas Berger | Utah Bankers Association |
| Steve Waldrip | Non-Profit Rocky Mountain Home Funds |

Absent Members

- Representative Joel Briscoe
- Michael Ostermiller
- Tom Macdonald
- Matthew Loo
- Danny Walz

Staff Present

- Rima Whited
- Alyssa Gamble
- Jennifer Edwards
- Jennifer Domenici
- McKenna Marchant
- Amanda Peck
- Sarah Nielson

Guests

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| 40 Dejan Eskic | 43 Lee Sands | 46 Ellie Hansen |
| 41 Greg Brooks | 44 Hunter Stratton | 47 Zeke Lee |
| 42 Peggy Hostelter | 45 Michael Parker | 48 Jason Harris |

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| 49 | Anikka Hoidal | 63 | Tanner Taguchi | 77 | Justin Lee |
| 50 | Heather Hogue | 64 | Jake Dinsdale | 78 | Tricia Davis |
| 51 | Stephanie Petersen | 65 | Christy Dahlberg | 79 | Alexis Athens |
| 52 | Jeff Silvestrini | 66 | Kara Trevino | 80 | Alison Kuhlow |
| 53 | Adam Kolowich | 67 | Shule Bishop | 81 | Stefanie Jones |
| 54 | Wilf Sommerkorn | 68 | Miranda Jones Cox | 82 | Karson Eilers |
| 55 | May Kennedy | 69 | Jennifer Marchant | 83 | Sivan Nizan |
| 56 | Meg Ryan | 70 | LaNiece Davenport | 84 | Laura Hanson |
| 57 | John Drew | 71 | Michelle Larsen | 85 | Josh Reynolds |
| 58 | Saskia Devries | 72 | Whitney | 86 | Chanel Flores |
| 59 | Megan Townsend | 73 | Jason Glidden | 87 | Abby Hunsaker |
| 60 | Katherine Fife | 74 | Ryan Anderson | 88 | Audry Wood |
| 61 | Ryan Loose | 75 | Richie Wilcox | | |
| 62 | Helen Peters | 76 | John Hiskey | | |

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91 **I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

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93 The meeting was called to order 1:10pm September 5, 2023.

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96 **II. PUBLIC COMMENT**

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98 There were no public comments.

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100 **III. Working Group – Funding Update**

Wayne Neiderhauser

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102 The Commission on Housing Affordability discussed the priority of funding recommendations from the
103 working group.

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105 *A motion to recommended “Ongoing funding for: 1. Permanent supportive housing at 15 million; 2.*
106 *Olene Walker gap financing of 10 million; 3. Homeless mitigation of 2.5 million; 4. HCD staff support at*
107 *\$318,000. One-time funding for: 1. Deeply affordable housing of 50 million; 2. Housing preservation of 25*
108 *million. Funding from a new source for: 1. Dedicated funding source for homelessness of \$39 million”*
109 *was made by Senator Fillmore.*

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111 *There was discussion of a substitute motion, but it was discarded and the Commission approved the*
112 *original motion. All commissioners in attendance were in favor.*

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114 **IV. Libertas Institute**

Legalize Starter Homes, Lee Sands

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116 A presentation was given by Greg Brooks, Better Cities Project, and Lee Sands, Libertas Institute,
117 regarding how to make starter homes more affordable. (Please see recording for more details. The
118 presentation can be found on the Utah Public Notice Website.)

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120 **V. Working Group – Data Update**

Christina Oliver

121 Christina Oliver gave an update on the data working group they are in the process of gathering and
122 disseminating including: need supply, demand database, inventory of existing programs and policies for
123 sale and product at certain price points and housing authority data.

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126 **VI. Working Group – Policy Update**

Chris Gamvroulas

127 Chris Gamvroulas gave an update on the policy working group.

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129 **VII. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:**

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131 *A motion to approve the June 6, 2023 and August 1, 2023 minutes was made by Beth Holbrook. The*
132 *motion passed unanimously from all commissioners in attendance.*

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134 **VIII. Other Business**

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136 The Chairs proposed another meeting of the Commission on Housing Affordability before October 18,
137 2023. All commissioners present were in favor of an additional meeting.

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139 **IX. Adjourn**

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141 The Commission on Housing Affordability meeting was adjourned at 2:42 pm.

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144 MINUTES APPROVED ON: 10/13/2023

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