



TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL

Housing Advisory Board

Action Minutes

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Chapel Hill, NC 27514

Chair Sue Hunter
Vice Chair Dustin Mills
Robert Dowling
Anne Hoole
Alice Jacoby

Rex Mercer
Brandon Morande
Anthony Parrish
Mary Jean Seyda

Tuesday, April 12, 2022

6:30 PM

Virtual Meeting

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Opening

Roll Call

- Present** 6 - Chair Sue Hunter, Vice-Chair Dustin Mills, Robert Dowling, Rex Mercer, Brandon Morande, and Mary Jean Seyda
- Absent** 3 - Anne Hoole, Alice Jacoby, and Anthony Parrish

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Seyda, seconded by Dowling, that the Agenda be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Aye:** 6 - Chair Sue Hunter, Vice-Chair Dustin Mills, Robert Dowling, Rex Mercer, Brandon Morande, and Mary Jean Seyda

Announcements

Petitions

Approval of Minutes

1. March 8, 2022 Draft Action Minutes[\[22-0284\]](#)

A motion was made by Dowling, seconded by Morande, that the Minutes be approved as amended to remove the comments and fix the missing priorities in Agenda Item #6. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Sue Hunter, Vice-Chair Dustin Mills, Robert Dowling, Rex Mercer, Brandon Morande, and Mary Jean Seyda

Old Business**2. Continuation of HAB Annual Priorities Discussion**[\[22-0285\]](#)

A motion was made by Dowling, seconded by Mercer, that the HAB Annual Priorities be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Sue Hunter, Vice-Chair Dustin Mills, Robert Dowling, Rex Mercer, Brandon Morande, and Mary Jean Seyda

Development Applications**3. Peach Apartments Conditional Zoning Application**[\[22-0286\]](#)

A motion was made by Seyda, seconded by Dowling, that the Peach Apartments conditional zoning application be recommended for approval with the following preferences:

- To approve the requested modification to allow the transportation shelter to encroach into the street setback.
- To clarify in the CZ application that the project will serve households up to 80% AMI.
- To commit more of the units to serve households at lower area median income (AMI) levels (60% AMI and below).

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Sue Hunter, Vice-Chair Dustin Mills, Robert Dowling, Rex Mercer, Brandon Morande, and Mary Jean Seyda

4. 828 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd Municipal Services Concept Plan [\[22-0287\]](#)

Key points made by members of the Housing Advisory Board during its review of the concept plan include:

- Interest in reaching a lower Area Median Income (AMI), ideally less than 60% AMI, even if this means providing fewer units that are designated as affordable.
- Agreement that the location of this property is great for affordable housing given its proximity to downtown employment opportunities and on the Bus Rapid Transit corridor.
- Strong encouragement for the project to accept rental vouchers to help serve households at 60% AMI or below .

Members of the public expressed concerns about developing on a site contaminated with coal ash, and the placement of affordable housing on the site.

5. White Oak Concept Plan [\[22-0288\]](#)

Key points made by members of the Housing Advisory Board during its review of the concept plan include:

- Indicated that the affordable rents proposed are not considered affordable in this market.
- Encouraged applicant to reach a lower Area Median Income (AMI), ideally less than 60% AMI, even if this means providing fewer units that are designated as affordable.

No members of the public spoke on this project.

New Business**6. Review Affordable Housing Bond Applications for 9% LIHTC Gap Financing** [\[22-0301\]](#)

A motion was made by Dowling, seconded by Mercer, that the Indigo project's affordable housing bond funding request be approved for the full requested amount of \$1,350,000. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chair Sue Hunter, Robert Dowling, Rex Mercer, Brandon Morande, and Mary Jean Seyda

Recused: 1 - Vice-Chair Dustin Mills

7. Town Staff Housing Updates [\[22-0290\]](#)

Affordable Housing and Community Connections staff presented updates on upcoming Council agenda items related to affordable housing.

Adjournment

Next Meeting - TBD

A motion was made by Seyda that the meeting be adjourned.

Order of Consideration of Agenda Items:

- 1. Staff Presentation*
- 2. Applicant's Presentation*
- 3. Public Comment*
- 4. Board Discussion*
- 5. Motion*
- 6. Restatement of Motion by Chair*
- 7. Vote*
- 8. Announcement of Vote by Chair*

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Unless otherwise noted, please contact the Planning Department at 919-968-2728; planning@townofchapelhill.org for more information on the above referenced applications.

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