

HOUSING TRUST FUND ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting of January 19, 2017

The following board members were in attendance: Rick Knuth, Irena Edwards, Rocky McCain, Ali Oliver Marilyn Pearson, Nick Jackson, Shawn Teigan, David Smoot, Robert Rendon, Ellen Reddick, Stephanie Jensen and Amy Rowland. Staff members in attendance were Melissa Jensen, Director of Housing & Neighborhood Development, Don Sparks, HAND Project & Policy Manager, Housing & Neighborhood Development and Kalli Ruiz, Administrative Secretary, Housing & Neighborhood Development.

Also in attendance were: Daniel Herbert-Voss and Robert Kohutek from Olene Walker Housing Trust Fund

Rick Knuth was Acting Chairperson and called the meeting to order at 12:00p.m.

Approval of the minutes from the November 17, 2016 meeting.

Chair Knuth asked if there were any amendments or corrections to the November 17th meeting minutes. Mr. Irena Edwards motioned to approve the November 17th minutes. Ms. Marilyn Pearson seconded the motion. All voted "Aye." November 17th meeting minutes are approved.

Presentation

Mr. Daniel Herbert-Voss detailed the purpose and operations of the Olene Walker Housing Trust Fund. He explained that the program is unique to Utah and that it is a combination of State and private funding that contribute to the Trust. He discussed the importance of the fund and some of the successful projects it has contributed to.

Review of Areas of Opportunity

Ms. Melissa Jensen asked to return to this item at the February 2017 meeting.

Review of Board Needs & Roles

Ms. Melissa Jensen discussed the positions that will need to be filled on the Housing Trust Fund Board. She stated that it was necessary to fill the District 5 at large position that Chairperson Knuth currently holds, and a representative that makes less than 80% or area median income as this person will represent the low to moderate income spectrum. She advised that the Board members forward her any contacts they feel may be a good fit for this role.

Ms. Melissa Jensen gave a brief update on the current status of housing programs. She announced that in the upcoming weeks there would be a groundbreaking ceremony for Granary Place, that 1015 was now under construction, and that 9th East Lofts were near completion.

Lastly, Ms. Melissa Jensen announced that Mr. Mike Akerlow had been promoted to Deputy Director of the Department of Community and Neighborhoods, and that she had accepted the position as the new Division Director for HAND. She stated that she would continue to oversee the Housing Trust Fund Board.

Other Business

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:06p.m.