

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF
RICHMOND REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING AUTHORITY
HELD AT 600 EAST BROAD STREET, 5TH FLOOR BOARDROOM
IN RICHMOND, VIRGINIA
ON TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2024
AT 5:30 P.M.

Board of Commissioners

In Attendance

Charlene Pitchford
Harold Parker, Jr.
Kyle Elliott

Absent

Veronica Blount
Barrett Hardiman
Gregory Lewis

Commissioners Attending Virtually

W. R. "Bill" Johnson, Jr., Chair
Dyanne Broidy

RRHA Staff

Steven Nesmith, Chief Executive Officer
Tonise Webb, Associate Lead Counsel & Chief Compliance Officer
Michael Kelly, Chief Operating Officer
Gerald Carter, Counsel

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:48 p.m. An in-person quorum of the Board of Commissioners was not established. The Chair and the Board of Commissioners agreed to proceed with the meeting and hold a special called meeting on Friday, June 21, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. to discuss the minutes, audit presentation, committee updates and approval of resolutions.

Citizens Comment Period

Lawanda Evans addressed the Board of Commissioners to thank CEO Steven Nesmith for helping her with housing when she found herself and her children without housing after 8 years of living as a caregiver.

Lacreacia Harris signed up to address the Board of Commissioners but was not present when called upon to speak.

Kennia Butler signed up to address the Board of Commissioners but was not present when called upon to speak.

Michaela Ross with the Legal Aid Justice Center addressed the Board of Commissioners to express her interest in partnering with RRHA regarding its Compassion Action Strategy.

Chair Updates

Chair W. R. "Bill" Johnson had no updates at this time.

CEO and Agency Updates

Introduction of RRHA's New Chief of Staff. Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Steven Nesmith and Mike Kelly introduced and welcomed Kim Cole as RRHA's new Chief of Staff. Ms. Cole's duties will include ensuring that the agency is meeting metrics as outlined in the Annual and 5-Year Agency Plans, repositioning RRHA's public assets, and assisting Chief Operating Officer (COO) Mike Kelly with day-to-day operations. Ms. Cole thanked CEO Nesmith and COO Kelly for their kind words and said "I look forward to being a part of the amazing things RRHA will do".

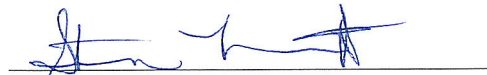
Transfer of the Calhoun Center from RRHA to the City. Last week, Richmond City Council voted unanimously on the transfer of the Calhoun Center from RRHA to the City. The transfer is expected to be completed by the end of August with a formal announcement just after Labor Day.

Proposal to deal with \$3.5 Million in Aged Receivable Debt. RRHA's proposal to deal with the \$3.5 million debt will be brought to the full Board of Commissioners for review in August.

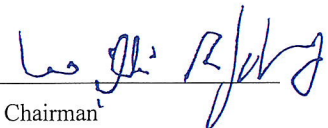
HUD Audit. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development conducted a compliance monitoring review of RRHA in April 2023. This HUD audit of RRHA resulted in 44 findings and 22 observations. On December 15, 2023, staff provided HUD with a Corrective Action Plan that addressed 28 of the 44 findings. Staff continues to work on the corrective actions for the remaining findings. Although the 22 observations did not require a response, RRHA provided responses to HUD on these observations.

Adjournment

Due to the board still having no in-person quorum, the Board of Commissioners agreed to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m.



Chief Executive Officer/Secretary


Chairman