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TELEPHONIC COMMISSION MEETING

The Board of Commissioners of the South Carolina State Housing Finance and Development Authority convened a telephonic meeting on Wednesday, May 6, 2020, at approximately 10:00 a.m., at the Authority's office, 300-C Outlet Pointe Boulevard, Columbia, South Carolina.

The following Commissioners participated in the call:

Robert D. Mickle, Jr., Chairman
Bradley J. Allen
Charles E. Gardner
Kenneth E. Ormand, Jr.
Mary Sieck
Sue Ann Shannon

The following Commissioners were excused:

Chris Goodall
Myra C. Reece

Staff and Guests attending the meeting included the following:

STAFF: Bonita Shropshire, Executive Director
Ellen Eudy, Chief Financial Officer
Tracey Easton, General Counsel
Carl Bowen, Rental Assistance and Compliance
John Tyler, Housing Initiative and Innovation
Renaye Long, Communications and Outreach
Del Collins, IT
Bryan Grady, Research
Jennifer Cogan, Development
Sarah Shinsky, Executive Assistant

GUESTS: Alisa Moseley, Affordable Housing Coalition of SC
Kevin Connelly, Connelly Builders, Inc.

Freedom of Information Act Statement

Chairman Mickle called the meeting to order and asked Bonita Shropshire to read into the record the Freedom of Information Statement.

“As required by the provisions of Section 30-4-80(e) of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, notification of this meeting has been given to all persons, organizations, local news media, and other news media which have requested such notifications.”

Agenda

Chairman Mickle presented the agenda and asked if there were any amendments or corrections. There being none, he called for a motion to approve the agenda.

MOTION Commissioner Sieck moved to adopt the agenda. The motion received a second from Commissioner Gardner. There being no discussion, all Commissioners voted in the affirmative and the motion carried.

COVID-19 Rental Assistance Program

Chairman Mickle asked Ms. Shropshire to present the COVID-19 Rental Assistance Program. Ms. Shropshire stated that SC Housing Staff would like to provide emergency rental assistance to South Carolinians facing financial hardships as a result of the COVID-19 health crisis. She went on to explain that the program would provide emergency housing assistance to renters affected by shutdowns, closures, layoffs, reduced work hours or unpaid leave due to the COVID-19 health crisis. She further explained that eligible households would receive assistance of \$1,500 for rent with payments made directly to property owners or management companies. Ms. Shropshire stated that this would be a one-time lump sum to go towards an applicant's rent. She explained that SC Housing Staff planned to use up to \$5 million of the Disaster Fund to establish a COVID-19 Rental Assistance Program pending approval of the revised Disaster Fund resolution. Ms. Shropshire then went over the program eligibility requirements and the proposed implementation of the program.

Ms. Shropshire fielded several questions from the Commissioners. After much discussion, the Board accepted this report as information.

Resolution: Disaster Fund

The Chairman invited Tracey Easton to present the Resolution for the Disaster Fund. Ms. Easton explained that this fund was originally created in September 2004. It was then revised in July 2005. She further explained that the main changes that have been made were to include health emergencies as one of the variances of natural disasters and emergencies and also to add those that were at risk for displacement from their residence to the requirements that had previously allowed only for those that had been displaced from their residence. Ms. Easton stated that staff recommends approval of this resolution.

After further discussion, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the resolution.

MOTION Commissioner Gardner moved to adopt the resolution. The motion received a second from Commissioner Shannon. All Commissioners voted in the affirmative except Commissioner Ormand, who opposed the resolution. The motion carried.

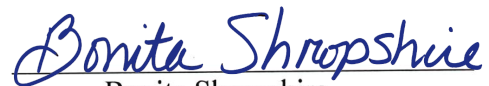
The Chairman asked if there were any other new business or comments for discussion.

Adjournment

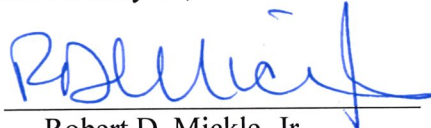
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MOTION Commissioner Shannon moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion received a second from Commissioner Sieck. There being no discussion, all Commissioners voted in the affirmative and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,


Bonita Shropshire
Secretary

Approved: May 20, 2020

By: 
Robert D. Mickle, Jr.
Chairman

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