

VIRGINIA FAIR HOUSING BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING

December 2, 2015

The Fair Housing Board Meeting was held at the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia. The following Board members were present:

Jim Ginnell, Chair
Andrew Reisinger, Vice-Chair
Larry Murphy
Linda Melton
Myra Howard
John Crouse
Stephen Northup
Bob Schaberg
Linda Broady-Myers
Rosemary Wilson

The following Board members were absent: Valerie L.T. Roth
Erica Woods-Warrior, Ed.D.

DPOR Staff present for all or part of the meeting included:

Jay DeBoer, Director
Mark Courtney, Senior Director
Christine Martine, Executive Director
Jeffrey Williams, Board Administrator
Liz Hayes, Fair Housing Administrator
Deanda Shelton, Assistant Fair Housing Administrator
Emily Trent, Administrative Assistant
Trudy Miller, Fair Housing Investigator
Donnitria Whitfield, Fair Housing Investigator

Tom Payne, Assistant Attorney General with the Office of the Attorney General, was present.

Mr. Reisinger called the meeting to order at 10:01 A.M. **Call to Order**

A motion was made by Mr. Reisinger and seconded by Ms. **Agenda** Wilson to approve the Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were: Broady-Myers, Crouse, Ginnell, Howard, Melton, Murphy, Northup,

Reisinger, Schaberg and Wilson.

A motion was made by Mr. Crouse and seconded by Ms. Howard to approve the September 8, 2015, Fair Housing Board Meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were: The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were: Broady-Myers, Crouse, Ginnell, Howard, Melton, Murphy, Northup, Reisinger and Schaberg. Wilson abstained from voting.

Minutes

Helen Hardiman, Housing Opportunities Made Equal (H.O.M.E), advised the Board of the outcome of the Final Settlement Agreement in their case against Shockoe Valley View Apartments. The defendants will retrofit the complex to be accessible for people with disabilities and pay \$600,000 in damages, costs, and attorneys' fees. H.O.M.E. and NFHA will establish a \$100,000 accessibility fund to help retrofit other homes in the community.

Public Comment

Liz Hayes updated the Board on the current investigative case load.

**Fair Housing
Administrator's Report**

In the matter of **FHB File Number 2015-02915, Jack and Dorothy Wood v. Blue Ridge Property Owners Association, Inc.**, the Board reviewed the record which consisted of the Final Investigative Report and Case Analysis. R. Scott Pugh, attorney for the respondent, was present and addressed the Board. A motion was made by Mr. Reisinger and seconded by Mr. Murphy to find no reasonable cause that the respondents discriminated against the complaint by failing to make a reasonable accommodation based upon disability. The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were: Broady-Myers, Crouse, Ginnell, Howard, Melton, Murphy, Northup, Reisinger, Reisinger, Schaberg and Wilson. A motion was made by Mr. Reisinger and seconded by Ms. Wilson to find no reasonable cause that the respondents discriminated against the complaint by imposing discriminatory terms and conditions by refusing to make housing available based upon disability. The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were: Broady-Myers, Crouse, Ginnell, Howard, Melton, Murphy, Northup, Reisinger, Schaberg and Wilson.

FHB File Number 2015-02915, Jack and Dorothy Wood v. Blue Ridge Property Owners Association, Inc.

In the matter of **FHB File Number 2015-02971, Helene**

FHB File Number 2015-

Katz v. Fairfax County Department of Housing & Community Development, the Board reviewed the record which consisted of the Final Investigative Report and Case Analysis. Sarah Townes, attorney for the respondent, was present and addressed the Board. A motion was made by Mr. Northup and seconded by Mr. Crouse to find no reasonable cause. The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were: Broady-Myers, Crouse, Ginnell, Howard, Melton, Murphy, Northup, Reisinger, Schaberg and Wilson.

02971, Helene Katz v. Fairfax County Department of Housing & Community Development

In the matter of **FHB File Number 2015-00825, Leon and Shonda Hicks v. Davis Mobile Home Rentals and Billy R. Davis**, the Board reviewed the record which consisted of the Final Investigative Report and Case Analysis. A motion was made by Ms. Wilson and seconded by Mr. Schaberg to find no reasonable cause. The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were: Broady-Myers, Crouse, Ginnell, Howard, Melton, Murphy, Northup, Reisinger, Schaberg and Wilson.

FHB File Number 2015-00825, Leon and Shonda Hicks v. Davis Mobile Home Rentals and Billy R. Davis

In the matter of **FHB File Number 2016-00171, Brenda G. Bailey v. Norton Redevelopment and Housing Authority**, a motion was made by Mr. Reisinger and seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the terms of the conciliation agreement as agreed to by the parties. The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were: Broady-Myers, Crouse, Ginnell, Howard, Melton, Murphy, Northup, Reisinger, Schaberg and Wilson.

FHB File Number 2016-00171, Brenda G. Bailey v. Norton Redevelopment and Housing Authority

In the matter of **FHB File Number 2016-00474, Kellie Hickman v. City Space LLC, Cotton Mill Partners LLC, Michelle Rose and Debra Daniel**, a motion was made by Mr. Reisinger and seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the terms of the conciliation agreement as agreed to by the parties. The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were: Broady-Myers, Crouse, Ginnell, Howard, Melton, Murphy, Northup, Reisinger, Schaberg and Wilson.

FHB File Number 2016-00474, Kellie Hickman v. City Space LLC, Cotton Mill Partners LLC, Michelle Rose and Debra Daniel

In the matter of **FHB File Number 2016-00859, Virginia Fair Housing Board v. Jacinto Tapia, Soledad Tapia, and Gustavo Tapia**, a motion was made by Mr. Reisinger and seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the terms of the conciliation agreement as agreed to by the parties. The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were:

FHB File Number 2016-00859, Virginia Fair Housing Board v. Jacinto Tapia, Soledad Tapia, and Gustavo Tapia

Broady-Myers, Crouse, Ginnell, Howard, Melton, Murphy, Northup, Reisinger, Schaberg and Wilson.

In the matter of **FHB File Number 2015-01518, Eve Davis v. Thomas Jordan and Constance Jordan**, a motion was made by Mr. Reisinger and seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the terms of the conciliation agreement as agreed to by the parties. The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were: Broady-Myers, Crouse, Ginnell, Howard, Melton, Murphy, Northup, Reisinger, Schaberg and Wilson.

FHB File Number 2015-01518, Eve Davis v. Thomas Jordan and Constance Jordan

In the matter of **FHB File Number 2016-00326, Mable Nelson v. AIMCO Foxchase LP**, a motion was made by Mr. Reisinger and seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the terms of the conciliation agreement as agreed to by the parties. The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were: Broady-Myers, Crouse, Ginnell, Howard, Melton, Murphy, Northup, Reisinger, Schaberg and Wilson.

FHB File Number 2016-00326, Mable Nelson v. AIMCO Foxchase LP

Ms. Martine gave the Board a regulatory review update. A motion was made by Ms. Broady-Myers and seconded by Ms. Melton to retain the Fair Housing regulations and Public Participant Guidelines in their current forms pursuant to the Notice of Periodic Review. The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were: Broady-Myers, Crouse, Ginnell, Howard, Melton, Murphy, Northup, Reisinger, Schaberg and Wilson.

Administrative Issues

Tom Payne gave the Board a litigation update.

New Business

The Board recessed from 10:24 A.M. to 10:30 A.M.

Break

Ms. Broady-Myers departed the Board meeting at 10:31 A.M.

Departure of Board Member

The Board members were provided Fair Housing information and training.

Training

Ms. Wilson departed the Board meeting at 11:54 A.M.

Departure of Board Member

The Board recessed from 12:02 P.M. to 12:14 P.M.

Break

The Board members resumed Fair Housing training.

Training

Ms. Howard departed the Board meeting at 12:56 P.M.

**Departure of Board
Member**

Mr. Murphy departed the Board meeting at 1:00 P.M.

**Departure of Board
Member**

Ms. Melton departed the Board meeting at 1:11 P.M.

**Departure of Board
Member**

The Board adjourned at 1:18 P.M.

Jim Ginnell, Chair

Jay DeBoer, Secretary

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