## BOARD OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

MEETING July 25, 2006 Richmond, Virginia

Members Present
Ms. Betty Ann Davis
Mr. Thomas Fleury
Mr. Eric Mays
Mr. Dennis Mitchell
Mr. Brian Mullins
Ms. Nancy O'Brien
Mr. Carlos Sol

Members Absent Mr. Susan Dewey Mr. Jack Loeb Ms. Ellen Robertson Mr. Doug Thomas

Call to Order

Mr. Tip Strickland Mr. Ken Thompson Mr. Ed Whitmore

Ms. Betty Ann Davis, Chairman of the Board of Housing and Community Development, called the meeting of the Board of Housing and Community Development to order.

Roll Call

The roll was called by Mr. Stephen Calhoun of the Department's Policy Office. Mr. Calhoun reported that a quorum was present.

New Board Member

Ms. Davis introduced a new Board member, Mr. Tip Strickland, who will serve as the representative from Congressional District 2. Mr. Strickland provided a brief overview of his background and interest in serving on the Board.

**Public Comment** 

There was no one requesting to comment at this meeting so the public comment session was closed.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the May 15, 2006 meeting of the Board. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed.

**Board Elections** 

Ms. Davis requested that Mr. Bill Shelton, Secretary to the Board, preside over the meeting for the election of a chairman of the Board. Mr. Shelton reported that Board elections are held annually at the first meeting of the fiscal year. Mr. Shelton asked for nominations for chairman. Mr.

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Brian Mullins nominated Ms. Davis. Mr. Dennis Mitchell seconded the nomination. Ms. Davis was unanimously elected chairman.

Ms. Davis asked for nominations for vice-chairman of the Board. Mr. Mitchell nominated Mr. Mullins. Mr. Whitmore seconded the nomination. Mr. Mullins was elected vice chairman by acclamation.

VHDA Report

Mr. Shelton reported on upcoming meeting dates and a joint luncheon for members of the Virginia Housing Development Authority Board of Commissions and the Board of Housing and Community Development to be held on September 26, 2006.

Virginia Fire Services Board Report Mr. Mullins reported on the June 2, 2006 meeting of the Board held in conjunction with the Fallen Firefighter Memorial. Mr. Mullins reported on mini-grants and new leadership for the Board.

Report of the Director

Mr. Shelton announced that Ms. Shea Hollifield, Deputy Director of the Division of Community Development, would become the Deputy Director of the Division of Housing on August 1, 2006. Mr. Shelton reported on recent building modifications and reviewed items in the recently approved state budget. A handout summarizing budget items was provided. Mr. Shelton reviewed recent CDBG competitive grant awards and the recent financial audit report for the Department from the Auditor of Public Accounts.

Mr. Emory Rodgers, Deputy Director of the Division of Building and Fire Regulation, provided an update on code development meetings with various interest groups in Virginia. Mr. Shelton reported on efforts currently underway to develop a state housing policy, a state community development policy and a state urban policy.

Mr. Shelton provided an update on the proposed Enterprise Zone Grant Program Regulation.

**Board Action** 

The Department recommended a public hearing on the proposed Enterprise Zone Grant Program regulation to be held on September 13, 2006. A motion was made to

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approve the September 13<sup>th</sup> public hearing date. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed.

**Unfinished Business** 

None

New Business

Ms. Davis announced Board assignments and appointments for the next year as follows:

Mr. Whitmore will continue to serve as Chairman of the Community Development Committee.

Mr. Fleury will continue to serve as Chairman of the Codes and Standards Committee.

Ms. O'Brien will continue to serve as Chairman of the Housing Committee.

Mr. Mullins will continue to serve as Board of Housing and Community Development representative on the Virginia Fire Services Board.

Ms. O'Brien will serve as Board of Housing and Community Development representative on the VHDA Board.

Mr. Davis stated that committee assignments, a Board meeting date schedule and a Board contact list will be mailed to Board members.

Board matters

None

Future Meetings

The next meeting of the Board will be Tuesday, September 26, 2006 in Richmond. The following meeting will be October 23, 2006 in Richmond.

Adjournment

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.