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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
Commission on Local Government
10:00 a.m., September 12, 2019
The Virginia Housing Center
Board Room
4224 Cox Rd.
Glen Allen, Virginia

Members Present

R. Michael Amyx, Chair Stephanie D. Davis, Phd. Rosemary M. Mahan, Vice Chair **Members Absent**

Diane M. Linderman, PE Kimble Reynolds, Jr.

Staff Present

J. David Conmy, Local Government Policy Administrator Ali Akbor, Senior Public Finance Analyst Kristen Dahlman, Senior Policy Analyst Cody Anderson, Legislative Affairs and Boards Coordinator

Call to Order

The Commission on Local Government (CLG) Chair, Mr. Mike Amyx, called the meeting to order at 10:14 a.m.

I. Administration

a. Approval of the Draft Agenda

A motion was made by Ms. Mahan and seconded by Dr. Davis to amend the agenda to include an update on the Cash Proffer Survey and Report after the Policy Administrator's Report. This motion was unanimously approved.



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b. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting on July 10, 2018

A motion was made by Dr. Davis and seconded by Ms. Mahan to approve the minutes, as written. Such motion was unanimously approved.

c. Public Comment Period

Mr. Amyx opened the floor to receive comments from the public. No one from the public appeared before the Commission; the public comment period was then closed.

d. Policy Administrator's report

Regarding staff updates, Mr. Conmy relayed to the Commission that himself, as well as Senior Public Finance Analyst Ali Akbor would be attending an annual fiscal stress monitoring workgroup hosted by Michigan State University at the Pew Charitable Research Center in Washington, D.C., from October 20th to October 22nd. Mr. Conmy also updated the Commission on Mr. Akbor's progress on an update to the Virginia Housing Policy Council report on affordable housing.

He also discussed with the Commission that he and Dr. Davis plan to attend a meeting with James Morani, the new Town Manager of Abingdon, and representatives from the Mount Rodgers Planning District Commission regarding local government structure in Virginia, as well as boundary line adjustment and interlocal cooperation information. Mr. Conmy informed the Commission that staff continues to work on the PDC annual reports.

Regarding potential cases to come before the Commission, Mr. Conmy advised the Commission that Dominion Power is planning to build a hydro power plant in southwest Virginia, and that legislation related to that development requires the Commission to examine the a yet-to-be drafted revenue sharing agreement certain localities within the vicinity of the new plant.

Mr. Conmy explained to the Commission that the advisory report for the Caruso Odin LLC case had been approved, but no action has yet to be taken by Caruso Odin LLC. The petitioning party has 180 days to take further action on the matter.

Mr. Conmy reviewed various articles of interest to the Board regarding local government affairs.

II. 2018 Cash Proffer Survey and Report

Mr. Cody Anderson reported to the Commission that responses to the Cash Proffer Survey were still coming in. The report is due on October 31st, with the deadline for localities to respond to the survey being September 31st. Any delinquent localities will be contacted directly about their response.

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ill. Catalogue of Mandates

Mr. Conmy presented updated Catalogue of Mandates to the Commission, including brief summaries of the most notable mandates. A motion was made by Ms. Mahan and seconded by Dr. Davis to approve the Mandates Catalogue update. This motion was unanimously passed.

IV. Other

There were no other items discussed.

V. Schedule of Regular Meetings

Mr. Conmy presented the schedule of meetings for 2019. It was noted to the Commission that the November meeting has been rescheduled to November 5th at 2:00 p.m. and that this was Election Day. Given the conflict with Election Day matters and the distance that Dr. Davis would need to travel for the November 5th meeting, Mr. Conmy offered to utilize the Commission's Electronic Participation Policy for Dr. Davis.

VI. <u>Upcoming Events of Interest</u>

Mr. Conmy advised the Commission that upcoming events of interest include the VML annual conference, the VACO annual conference, and the Virginia Governor's Housing Conference.

Adjournment

By consensus of the Commission, Mr. Amyx called the meeting adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

R. Michael Amyx,

Chair

I. **\Q**avid Conmy,

Local Government Policy Administrate