

BOARD OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
Housing and Community Development Committee
MEETING

10:10 A.M., September 28, 2020

Digital Meeting Only

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and public health emergency and the need to provide social distancing and prohibit large gatherings, the meeting was held electronically in accordance with the State of Emergency Declared by the Governor and the 2020 amendments to the Appropriations Act. The meeting was held via Google Meet.

Members Present

Sonny Abbasi
Claudia Cotton
Susan Dewey
Andrew Friedman
Richard Gregory
Sylvia Hallock
Mark Jackson
Abby Johnson
Keith Johnson
Monique Johnson
Brett Meringoff

Members Absent

Mimi Elrod
Patty Shields

Call to Order

Mr. Andrew Friedman, Vice-Chair of the Housing and Community Development Committee, called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

Roll Call

The roll was called by Mr. Kyle Flanders of the Department of Housing and Community Development's (DHCD) Policy Office. Mr. Flanders reported that a quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Abbasi and properly seconded by Ms. Abby Johnson to approve the minutes of the June 26, 2020, meeting of the Committee; the motion passed. (Yeas: Abbasi, Dewey, Friedman, Gregory, A. Johnson, K. Johnson, Meringoff; Abstentions: Cotton, Hallock, Jackson, M. Johnson; No-Votes: None)

Enterprise Zone Regulations

Ms. Rebecca Rowe, Associate Director of the Community Revitalization Office at DHCD gave an overview of a proposed change to Enterprise Zone regulations which would allow applications to be received digitally as opposed to as a hard copy. A motion was made by Mr. Abbasi and properly seconded by Mr. Jackson to approve the proposed change. The motion passed. (Yeas:

Abbasi, Cotton, Dewey, Friedman, Gregory, Hallock, Jackson, A. Johnson, K. Johnson, M. Johnson, Meringoff; No-Votes: None)

New Business

Mr. Erik Johnston, Director of DHCD, gave an overview of the Annual Action Plan updates and focused on proposed uses of CDBG CARES Act funding to bolster rent and mortgage relief assistance. Director Johnston received input from the Board on the proposed use of funding.

Adjournment

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