



City of Madison

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Meeting Minutes - Approved HOUSING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, May 6, 2009

5:00 PM

215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room 260 (Madison Municipal Building)

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Staff Present: George Hank & Meg Zopelis

Present: 9 -

Susan K. Day; Greg L. Rosenberg; Keith G. Broadnax; Tobi L. LeMahieu;
Judith M. Wilcox; Curtis V. Brink; Alicia Bosben Gebhardt; David C.
Porterfield and David R. Sparer

Absent: 2 -

Bridget R. Maniaci and Victor E. Villacrez

Excused: 4 -

Philip P. Ejercito; Brian A. Munson; Detria D. Hassel and Michael
Schumacher

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Wilcox, seconded by Brink, to Approve the Minutes of
April 1, 2009. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

REPORTS

1. [08595](#) Landlord & Tenant Issues Subcommittee

The last meeting was cancelled due to the change in Alders and not having
new Alders appointed.

2. [08596](#) Affordable Housing Subcommittee

The last meeting was cancelled.

3. [11431](#) Common Council Update

Ald. Maniaci and Ald. Schumacher were not present to give a report.

ROLL CALL

Ald. Maniaci arrived at 5:12 PM.

Present: 10 -

Bridget R. Maniaci; Susan K. Day; Greg L. Rosenberg; Keith G. Broadnax;
Tobi L. LeMahieu; Judith M. Wilcox; Curtis V. Brink; Alicia Bosben
Gebhardt; David C. Porterfield and David R. Sparer

Absent: 1 -

Victor E. Villacrez

Excused: 4 -

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4. [14081](#) Property Tax Exemption Subcommittee

Sparer said the Property Tax Exemption Subcommittee Meetings have been well attended. The Assessor, Assistant Assessor, City Attorney, and Mayoral Assistants Mario Mendoza and Ray Harmon have been present. A Resolution was sent to the Common Council, urging the Mayor, Legislature and Governor to give the property tax exemption. The Common Council voted on this last night (Ald. Rummel added items back into the Resolution that had been in the Subcommittee's Resolution, but were initially taken out at Council).

Wilcox said on May 15, 2009, at the Goodman Center, there will be a meeting that Forward Community Investments is sponsoring from 12:00 – 12:30. This is educational to go beyond the affordable housing providers and educate non-profits on potential impact of the loss of the property tax exemption.

Roll call:

Ald. Maniaci arrived at 5:12 PM.

Rosenberg said there will be a protest at the Capitol on May 12, 2009, by Dean Loumos and Housing Initiatives. There will be a "tent city". There was a newspaper article about this rally that said the Assessor's staff is carefully checking non-profits who spend much of their money on for profit contractors.

Sparer spoke with Mike Kurth on May 5, 2009, and Kurth said the reporter asked a question and then he said that; he did not offer that. Kurth said they always look at that. This is not a new procedure.

Porterfield said we have done a lot to influence state policy. What about Plan B, "if it fails"? Should discussions about Plan B be at the Housing Committee or still at the Property Tax Exemption Subcommittee? Rosenberg said the Assessor will not complete their work until July. It is important to give non-profits a sense of Plan B before signing leases on July 1. Bill Clingan is looking at options. Rosenberg does not think the Affordable Housing Trust Fund and HOME funds should not be used, as it is robbing from the future. A

decision was made to maintain the Property Tax Exemption Subcommittee.

Members of the Housing Committee introduced themselves to Ald. Bridget Maniaci.

Ald. Maniaci chose to be on the Landlord & Tenant Issues Subcommittee.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5. [14579](#) Dane County Board Resolution provided by David Porterfield

Attachments: [Bayrd Property Tax Exemption RES.pdf](#)

Informational only - no discussion.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. [08594](#) 2009 Goals Discussion

Attachments: [Goals Discussion](#)
[2009 Work Plan Items.pdf](#)

Wilcox said on the Consolidated Plan, that this is the year that the new 5 Year Plan is initiated. It is important for the Housing Committee to have some input on that plan. The Housing Committee should get a timeline from CDBG on that. This is the plan you have to have put in place in order to access any federal dollars from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Rosenberg said Third Sector met with CDBG recently and it was a very productive meeting.

Invite Bill Clingan to the next meeting to get an update on the Annual Housing Report.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Sparer, seconded by Wilcox, to Adjourn at 6:05 PM. The motion passed by voice vote/other.