

**HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes – June 18, 2021 at 9:00 AM**

***Due to the COVID-19 situation, the meeting will be held in person and with remote using an internet application. The meeting will be recorded and posted for viewing on the City’s web site. Anyone interested in participating in the meeting or making public comment may contact Community Development at (541) 450-6060 for viewing instructions.**

Committee Member

Doug Walker – Chair
Kelly Wessels – Vice Chair
Loree Arthur
Duward Brown
David Corsi
Jason Elzy
Sam Engel
Darin Fowler
Teresa Santucci
JR Wheeler
Sandra Villa
Tom Bradbeer

Staff/Council Liaisons:

Dwight Faszer II – Council Liaison (absent)
Bradley Clark – Community Development Director
Jason Maki – Associate Planner

Guests:

1. **Roll Call:**
 - a. Chair Walker opened the meeting at 9:02 am and took roll.
2. **Introductions:**
 - a. The public has been provided a recording to make comments.
3. **Public Comment:** (opportunity for citizens to share information with the committee regarding items that are not on the agenda)
 - a. No comment
4. **Consent Agenda:**
 - a. Minutes: March 19, 2021

MOTION/VOTE

**Member Bradbeer moved and Member Elzy seconded the motion to approve the minutes from March 19, 2021. The vote resulted as follows: “AYES”: Members Walker, Wessels, Arthur, Brown, Engel, Santucci, Bradbeer, Elzy, Wheeler, Villa, Corsi. “NAYS”: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None The motion passed.
The motion passed.**

5. **Action Items:**
 - a. The HAC made a motion to recommend City Council allocate a portion of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to the Affordable Housing SDC Waiver and Discount Program.

MOTION/VOTE

Member Elzy moved and Member Bradbeer seconded the motion to recommend the City Council allocate a portion of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to the Affordable Housing SDC Waiver and

Discount Program. The vote resulted as follows: “AYES”: Members Walker, Wessels, Arthur, Brown, Engel, Santucci, Bradbeer, Elzy, Wheeler, Villa, Corsi. “NAYS”: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None The motion passed.

The motion passed.

- b. The HAC made a motion to recommend allocating a portion of ARPA funds to cover building and engineering department fees for affordable housing projects.

MOTION/VOTE

Member Bradbeer moved and Member Wheeler seconded the motion to recommend allocating a portion of ARPA funds to cover building and engineering department fees for affordable housing projects. The vote resulted as follows: “AYES”: Members Walker, Wessels, Arthur, Brown, Engel, Santucci, Bradbeer, Elzy, Wheeler, Villa, Corsi. “NAYS”: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None The motion passed.

The motion passed.

- c. The HAC made a motion supporting the removal of single-family and duplex dwelling units, and manufactured homes (individual lots) as allowed uses in the General Commercial Zoning District as defined in the Grants Pass Development Code.

MOTION/VOTE

Member Engel moved and Member Elzy seconded the motion supporting the removal of single-family and duplex dwelling units, and manufactured homes (individual lots) as allowed uses in the General Commercial Zoning District as defined in the Grants Pass Development Code. The vote resulted as follows: “AYES”: Members Walker, Wessels, Arthur, Brown, Engel, Santucci, Bradbeer, Elzy, Wheeler, Villa, Corsi. “NAYS”: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None The motion passed.

The motion passed.

6. Matters from Committee Members and Staff:

- a. Jason asked the group if there would be interest in outside community members presenting relevant information to the committee. The committee agreed it would be useful to pursue proposals to present.
- b. Jason confirmed the next discussion related to minimum density will happen at the August 16th City Council Workshop
- c. Teresa requested an update be presented to the committee on how the Community Development Block Grant program is progressing.
- d. Tom asked staff to develop updated data on building permits issued in order to better track progress of housing development to ensure we are on track to meet future forecasts.
- e. David enquired on whether housing costs have affected filling open positions with the City and voiced concern that housing costs are affecting hiring for organizations in the community.

7. Future Agenda Building for Next Meeting:

- a. Accessory Dwelling Unit SDC waiver memo.
- b. Solar Setbacks presentation.

8. Adjournment

- a. Chair Walker adjourned the meeting at 10:39 am.

Next scheduled meeting: Friday, July 16, 2021 @ 9:00 am in the City Council Chambers.

Minutes prepared by Jason Maki, City of Grants Pass Community Development.