



City of Saint Paul

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Housing & Redevelopment Authority

Chair Cheniqua Johnson
Commissioner Anika Bowie
Commissioner Saura Jost
Commissioner HwaJeong Kim
Commissioner Rebecca Noecker
Commissioner Nelsie Yang

Wednesday, March 12, 2025

2:00 PM

Council Chambers, City Hall

Roll Call

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.
Commissioner Bowie was excused.

Present 5 - Commissioner Rebecca Noecker, Commissioner Nelsie Yang,
Commissioner Cheniqua Johnson, Commissioner Saura Jost, and
Commissioner HwaJeong Kim

Absent 1 - Commissioner Anika Bowie

Discussion

Commissioner Bowie arrived. Commissioner Kim left.

- 1 [RES 25-431](#) Resolution Approving the Partial Loan Forgiveness of up to \$1,255,384 in Combined Principal and Interest on Three (3) Housing and Redevelopment Authority Loans to the Commerce Building Phase I and Commerce Building Phase II Projects, 10 4th Street East, District 17, Ward 2

Sponsors: Noecker

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
[D17 Downtown Neighborhood Profile](#)
[Map](#)

Chair Johnson announced that a staff report was given a week prior to this action. Commissioner Noecker spoke in favor of the action. Executive Director Newton stated staff recommends approval.

Moved by Commissioner Noecker, Resolution is Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Noecker, Commissioner Yang, Commissioner Bowie,
Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Jost

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Kim

- 2 [RES 25-417](#) Resolution approving and authorizing the execution of a Master Legal Services Agreement with Kutak Rock LLP, Citywide

Sponsors: Johnson

Attachments: [Board Report](#)

Executive Director Newton explained the action, and stated staff recommends approval.

Moved by Commissioner Jost, Resolution is Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Noecker, Commissioner Yang, Commissioner Bowie, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Jost

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Kim

- 3 [RES 25-423](#) Resolution Amending the Affordability Requirement for Buyers of Owner-Occupied Duplexes in the Inspiring Communities Program, Citywide

Sponsors: Johnson

Attachments: [Board Report](#)

Commissioner Kim returned.

Executive Director Newton explained the intent of this action and stated staff is recommending approval.

Chair Johnson spoke in favor of the increase to AMI.

Commissioner Bowie spoke in favor.

Moved by Commissioner Bowie, Resolution is Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 6 - Commissioner Noecker, Commissioner Yang, Commissioner Bowie, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Jost, and Commissioner Kim

Nay: 0

- 4 [RES 25-430](#) Resolution Approving the Emergency Rental Assistance / Eviction Prevention Program (ERA) Guidelines, Citywide

Sponsors: Johnson

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
 [Guidelines - Final](#)

Chair Johnson explained that an introduction to the guidelines was previously given and spoke in favor of the work of staff in Planning and Economic Development.

Executive Director Newton stated that this is a new program, not quite ready to launch, but staff recommends approval of the guidelines.

Moved by Commissioner Kim, Resolution is Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 6 - Commissioner Noecker, Commissioner Yang, Commissioner Bowie, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Jost, and Commissioner Kim

Nay: 0

Staff Report

5 [SR 25-36](#) Introduction to Commercial Corridors Guidelines

Sponsors: Johnson

Attachments: [Presentation](#)

*Executive Director Newton introduced the presentation.
Daniela Lorenz, Economic Development Supervisor, presented the guidelines for the Commercial Corridors and answered questions from the Board.*

Received and Filed

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Adjourned