# Orange Housing Finance Trust

# REGULAR MEETING SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES ORANGE COUNTY HOUSING FINANCE TRUST

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2020, 10:00 A.M.

# JOHN MARK JENNINGS

Chair

**ANDREW DO** 

Vice Chair

**DOUG CHAFFEE** 

Director

JAMEY FEDERICO

Director

**ED SACHS** 

Director

DON BARNES

Director

**DAVID PENALOZA** 

Director

SHARI FREIDENRICH

Director

STEPHEN FAESSEL

Director

Trust Manger Adam Eliason Trust Counsel Jacqueline Guzman

Clerk of the Trust Robin Stieler

ATTENDANCE: Directors Chaffee, Jennings, Barnes, Penaloza, Federico, Freidenrich, Faessel and Sachs

ABSENT:

Director Do

PRESENT:

Trust Manager Trust Counsel

Clerk of the Trust

Adam Eliason

Jacqueline Guzman

Robin Stieler

### CALL TO ORDER

CHAIR JENNINGS CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 10:03 A.M.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

DIRECTOR SACH LED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### ROLL CALL

THE CLERK CALLED THE ROLL AND CONFIRMED QUORUM

# **DISCUSSION ITEMS (Items 1-6):**

- 1. Approve Orange County Housing Finance Trust minutes from the October 29, 2019 Regular meeting.
  ON THE MOTION OF DIRECTOR FAESSEL, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR FEDERICO, BY A
  VOTE OF 8 TO 0, WITH VICE CHAIR DO BEING ABSENT, APPROVED THE ORANGE
  COUNTY HOUSING FINANCE TRUST MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 29, 2019 REGULAR
  MEETING
- 2. Approve Orange County Housing Finance Trust minutes from the December 19, 2019 Special Meeting. ON THE MOTION OF DIRECTOR BARNES, SECONDED BY CHAIR JENNINGS, BY A VOTE OF 8 TO 0, WITH VICE CHAIR DO BEING ABSENT, AND DIRECTORS FEDERICO AND FREIDENRICH ABSTAINING, APPROVED THE ORANGE COUNTY HOUSING FINANCE TRUST MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER 19, 2019 REGULAR MEETING
- 3. Approve Trust Strategic Plan Outline; and designate the Funding Strategy Ad Hoc Committee to work with Staff to draft the Strategic Plan.
  ON THE MOTION OF CHAIR JENNNGS, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR FREIDENRICH, BY A VOTE OF 8 TO 0, WITH VICE CHAIR DO BEING ABSENT, UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED ITEM AS RECOMMENDED; DIRECTED TO ADD TO THE STRATEGIC PLAN OUTLINE:
  - #5 ADD MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDINGS WITH THE COUNTY AND OTHERS
  - #6 (d) (i) ADD "COMMUNICATIONS"
  - #6 (g) (i) ADD "INDIVIDUALS" AND "CITY" COMMISSIONS TO THE COORDINATING EFFORTS
  - #7 (d) ADD CALIFORNIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES (CSAC) TO THE LIST OF KEY STRATEGIC PARTNERS

SUBSTITUTE MOTION BY DIRECTOR PENALOZA TO APPROVE THE TRUST STRATEGIC PLAN OUTLINE AND DENY THE EXPANDED ROLE OF THE FUNDING STRATEGY AD HOC COMMITTEE WAS WITHDRAWN

- 4. Approve proposed Trust Administrative Expense Allocation Formula Policy and Procedures.

  ON THE MOTION OF CHAIR JENNNGS, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR FEDERICO, BY A VOTE OF 6 TO 2, WITH VICE CHAIR DO BEING ABSENT AND DIRECTORS SACHS AND BARNES VOTING NO, APPROVED ITEM AS RECOMMENDED; DIRECTED STAFF TO PROVIDE CLARIFICATION OF THE TRUST BYLAWS REGARDING PAYMENT TERMS (I.E., WHEN PAYMENTS ARE DUE, PENALITIES IMPOSED FOR NON-PAYMENT, ETC.), REVIEW THE ORANGE COUNTY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT'S MEMBERSHIP FORMULA WITH RESPECT TO FUTURE FUNDING STRATEGIES; AND UPDATE THE "ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE ALLOCATION FORMULA POLICY AND PROCEDURES" TO CLARIFY ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES AND GRANT DEDUCTIONS; AND TO RETURN TO THE BOARD IN MARCH, 2020
- 5. Direct Trust Staff to utilize Platinum Advisors as primary with Best, Best and Krieger (BB&K) as subconsultant for the purpose of securing state funding for the Trust.

  ON THE MOTION OF DIRECTOR CHAFFEE, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR BARNES, BY A VOTE OF 8 TO 0, WITH VICE CHAIR DO BEING ABSENT, UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED ITEM AS RECOMMENDED; CONTRACT TO BE ISSUED AND PAID AT THE EXPENSE OF THE COUNTY GIVEN THAT THE COUNTY IS PROVIDING ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO THE TRUST ENDING 6/30/20; AND REQUESTED SYRUS DEVERS FROM BEST, BEST AND KRIEGER PROVIDE A STATEMENT THAT HE HAS NO CONFLICT OF INTEREST REPRESENTING THE TRUST

- 6. Approve 2020 Permanent Supportive Housing Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA); and authorize issuance of NOFA on January 24, 2020.

  ON THE MOTION OF CHAIR JENNINGS SECONDED BY DIRECTOR FARSELY, DVA AVEC
  - ON THE MOTION OF CHAIR JENNINGS, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR FAESSEL, BY A VOTE OF 7 TO 1, WITH VICE CHAIR DO BEING ABSENT AND DIRECTOR CHAFFEE VOTING NO, APPROVED AS AMENDED THE 2020 TRUST NOFA POLICY GUIDELINES (ATTACHMENT A) AS FOLLOWS:
    - AMENDED #2 TO READ "ALL TRUST FUNDING SHALL HAVE A PREFERENCE FOR PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING (PSH)"
    - AMENDED #6 TO READ "ALL UNITS MUST HAVE PROJECT-BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE (E.G. PROJECT-BASED VOUCHERS) OR CAPITALIZED OPERATING SUBSIDY RESERVE
    - AMENDED #11 THE MAXIMUM TRUST INVESTMENT FROM \$1,000,000/DEVELOPMENT TO \$2,500,000/DEVELOPMENT
    - AMENDED #11 FROM "2 BEDROOM" TO "2 BEDROOM OR LARGER"

# **HOUSING TRUST MANAGER REPORT (Item 7)**

- 7. Oral Report from the Housing Trust Manager
  - COORDINATING A PUBLIC CEREMONY FOR THE TRUST RECEIPT OF \$1 MILLION FROM THE STATE; WILL SEND INVITATION TO BOARD MEMBERS TO JOIN THE CELEBRATION AND ANNOUNCEMENT
  - WILL BE JOINING THE ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA CITIES ORANGE COUNTY IN SACRAMENTO ON JANUARY 27-28, 2020 TO MEET WITH LEGISLATORS AND STATE DEPARTMENTS TO DISCUSS CRITICAL ISSUES AFFECTING ORANGE COUNTY, INCLUDING HOMELESSNESS, PROMOTING THE EFFORTS OF THE TRUST AND SEEKING THE SUPPORT FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING
  - PROVIDED AN UPDATE AT THE HOUSING COMMITTEE OF THE SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING ON JANUARY 9, 2020
  - SCHEDULED TO SPEAK AT THE ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA CITIES ORANGE COUNTY EVENT ON FEBRUARY 20, 2020 AT ANAHEIM STADIUM AND AT THE SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF MAYORS MEETING ON JANUARY 30, 2020 TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON THE TRUST

## **PUBLIC & TRUST COMMENTS:**

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Thomas Fielder** – Oral Re: Trust moving forward in obtaining funding from the State for the Trust Strategic Plan; encouraged the Trust to identify within the Strategic Plan how funds are to be spent to minimize cost per unit for construction of low income, very low income and Permanent Supportive Housing; Fairview Developmental Center meets the requirements of the Mental Health Services Act Funding Term Sheet; encouraged the Trust to utilize the Fairview Developmental Center for housing and mental health services of the homeless population

## **DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

**Director Freidenrich** – Oral re: Requested staff prepare social media regarding the public ceremony celebration for the Trust receipt of \$1 million and suggested posting on Trust Member City websites, Facebook and Twitter

**Director Chaffee** – Oral Re: Asked if staff has reached out to the Orange County Housing Trust or its Executive Director regarding the criteria used for disbursement of monies and it compares to the Orange County Housing Trust

**ADJOURNED:** 11:31 P.M.

NEXT MEETINGS: March 18, 2020, 10:00 A.M.

John Mark Jennings (Jun 15, 2007 08:53 PDT)

JOHN MARK JENNINGS

Chair, Orange County Housing Finance Trust

ROBIN Stieler

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Clerk of the Orange County Housing Finance Trust

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