



# City of Columbia, Missouri

## Meeting Minutes

### Housing and Community Development Commission

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Wednesday, January 8, 2020  
7:00 PM

Regular

Room 1A, City Hall  
701 E. Broadway  
Columbia

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#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Regan.

#### II. INTRODUCTIONS

Present at the start of the meeting were commission members Fisher, Suhler, Regan, Kasmann, and Whatley, City staff Cole and Clark and several members of the public.

**Present:** 6 - Mitchell Ritter, Blaine Regan, Paul Whatley, Diane Suhler, Ross Kasmann and Hannah Fisher

**Excused:** 3 - Michael Fletcher, Michael Salanski and Terence Crouch

#### III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Motion to approve the Agenda: Kasmann**

**Motion to 2nd: Whatley**

**Not voting: Ritter, Salanski, Fletcher**

**Motion passes: 5:0**

#### IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the draft December 11, 2019 HCDC Minutes

**Attachments:** [Draft December 11, 2019 HCDC Minutes.pdf](#)

**Motion to approve the Minutes: Kasmann**

**Motion to 2nd: Whatley**

**Not voting: Ritter, Salanski, Fletcher**

**Motion passes: 5:0**

#### V. PUBLIC HEARINGS

##### Affordable Housing and Community Development Needs FY 2021

Affordable Housing and Community Development Needs FY 2021: Cole shares the timeline for the funding cycle with the group, starting with the Community Development Needs Hearing and the five year goals. The hearing is then open for comments.

*7:07 pm Ritter arrives.*

Phil Steinhaus CEO of the Columbia Housing Authority (CHA): Steinhaus shares that the CHA Providence Walkway Project was not funded with MHDC funding and CHA hopes to apply again. He shares that community support often provides leverage for the additional funds for the renovations. Steinhaus discusses the populations that they work with their public housing, tenant base rental assistance vouchers and other programs. Steinhaus also expresses support for other projects potentially seeking funding.

Steve Smith, President and Chief Executive Officer of Job Point: Smith expresses appreciation for support over years for funding and purchasing their facility and the cost savings with purchasing their facility. Smith shares that Job Point is a local Community Housing Development Organization that builds homes for the Columbia Community Land Trust including homes on Lynn Street, Oak Street and Third Avenue. CDBG funding is also used for scholarships for vocational training. Smith shares some success stories from past students. Discussion is had about how Job Point finds participants.

Steve Calloway with Men's Minority Network: Calloway shares that he is learning more about Affordable Housing efforts in our community and has been more involved through working on groups with Cole such as the upcoming Affordable Housing Summit. Calloway touches on the importance of community facilities for children, and affordable housing.

Darin Preis, Executive Director of Central Missouri Community Action (CMCA): Preis discusses some of the topics that Calloway brought up and shares that for students, performance can often be tied to housing. Preis brings up mixed income housing and for students to live in a more diverse area including income, and race outcomes are often better. Preis discusses outcomes from the Womans business center that CMCA operates and shares that CMCA is a CHDO as well. Preis shares that he hopes that smaller homes will be an option in the future for CHDO's to build.

Susan Hart: Hart shares that she is on the CMCA board but comes to this meeting as a citizen for safe affordable housing. Hart shares that the need for workforce or middle housing is a discussion that needs to be remembered. There needs to be forward thinking with all community partners.

## VI. NEW BUSINESS

### FY 2021 Affordable Housing and Community Development Needs Survey

**Attachments:** [Community Development Needs Survey 2021 - Google Forms.pdf](#)

Cole shares that the survey is put out annually. Cole asks if there are any other comments or changes. Suhler asks how the survey is distributed. Cole shares that the survey will be shared on the City website, ListServes, Social Media and email. Anyone in the commission can sent the survey out.

### FY 2021 Affordable Housing and Community Development RFP

Coles shares that the RFP was changed from CDBG and HOME RFP to Affordable Housing and Community Development RFP to highlight the new name of the commission and to provide clarity.

### CCLT Documentary: January 16, 2020

**Attachments:** [CCLT Documentary Event Flyer.pdf](#)

Cole shares that the Columbia Community Land Trust is hosting a documentary event and panel event. The movie Arc of Justice is about one of the first land trusts in the country. The Commission is invited to attend.

### Affordable Housing Summit: February 27, 2020

**Attachments:** [Draft Affordable Housing Summit Flyer.pdf](#)

Cole shares that this event will be similar to events in the past. The speaker will be Tony Perez discussing "Missing Middle Housing".

## VII. OLD BUSINESS

### Integrated Electric Resource Planning Task Force-HCDC Rep

Integrated Electric Resource Planning Task Force-HCDC Rep: Cole shares that the Task Force is still in need of a representative. Suhler shares some interest but would like more information.

## VIII. GENERAL COMMENTS BY PUBLIC, MEMBERS AND STAFF

A member of the public requested that the commission speak up as it could be a bit difficult to hear some of the discussion. Clarity on how the survey would be distributed was given.

Regan shares that he is thankful for the Public and the Commission for their comments.

## IX. NEXT MEETING DATE

February 12, 2020

## X. ADJOURNMENT

**Motion to adjourn: Whatley**  
**Motion to 2nd: Suhler**  
**Not voting: Salanski, Fletcher**  
**Motion passes: 6:0**