

## Housing/Community Development/Social Services Committee - Board of Representatives

Mavina Moore, Co-Chair

Rob Roqueta, Co-Chair

## **Committee Minutes**

Tuesday, March 29, 2022 Date:

Time: 7:00 p.m.

This Meeting was held remotely. Place:

The Housing/Community Development/Social Service Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Co-Chairs Moore and Roqueta; and Committee Member Reps. Baxter, Campbell, Goldberg, Ley and Pollack. Also present Emily Gordon, and Community Development; Janeene Freeman, Mayor's Office; Christina Crain, Senior Center; Kathleen Bordelon, Silversource, Inc.; and Melissa LoParco.

**Description** Item No. **COMMITTEE** ACTION COMMITTEE

1. HCD31.008 REJECTION; Allocation of \$1,350,000 from the

Affordable Housing Trust Fund to Housing

Development Fund to Facilitate the Development 25 Permanently Affordable Homeownership Units at 95

Elmcroft Road.

03/08/22 - Submitted by Rep. Roqueta

Co-Chair Roqueta stated that the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board of Trustee had a special meeting in February and unanimously approved the \$1,350,000 allocation of funds to the Housing Development Fund to facilitate the development of 25 permanently affordable homeownership units at 95 Elmcroft Rd in Stamford's South End neighborhood.

A motion to reject this item was made, seconded and failed by a vote of 3-4-0. (Moore, Baxter, and Campbell in favor; Roqueta, Goldberg, Ley and Pollack opposed)

2. HCD31.009 REJECTION; Allocation of \$375,000 from the

> Affordable Housing Trust Fund to Pacific House to Facilitate 11 Rooming Units of Deepy-Affordable

Supportive Housing at 36 Ann Street.

03/08/22 - Submitted by Reps. Moore and Roqueta

The Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board of Trustee approved the \$375,000.00 for Pacific House to facilitate 11 deeply affordable rooms at 36 Ann Street rooms for people facing homelessness.

A motion to reject this item was made, seconded and failed by a vote of 0-7-0 (Roqueta, Moore, Baxter, Campbell, Goldberg, Ley and Pollack opposed)

COMMITTEE OPPOSED 0-7-0

OPPOSED 3-4-0

3. HCD31.012

ORDINANCE for publication; Amendment to Code of Ordinances § 146-67 Creation of A Commercial Linkage Affordable Housing Program to Increase the Linkage Share Percentage.

03/08/22 – Submitted by Reps. Moore and Roqueta

**HELD 7-0-0** 

Co-Chair Roqueta stated that he submitted this along with Co-Chair Moore to increase the annual amount of Linkage share from 5% to 10% of building permit fees collected by the City of Stamford Building Inspections department.

The Committee briefly discussed this item and would like more input from the Mayor, the Fiscal Committee and Board of Finance on the possible Fiscal impact this increase may have.

A motion to hold this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 7-0-0. Roqueta, Moore, Baxter, Campbell, Goldberg, Ley and Pollack in favor)

4. HCD31.010

REVIEW; Overview of Citywide Supportive Services and Programs Available to the City of Stamford's Older Adults/Senior Citizens.

REPORT MADE

03/08/22 – Submitted by Reps. Moore and Roqueta

The Committee discussed the following <u>Powerpoint Presentation</u> with Christina Crain and Kathleen Bordelon regarding the Supportive Services available for Seniors in Stamford.

REVIEW; Creating a Bridge Rental Subsidy Grant

5. HCD31.011

Program for Senior Citizens of Stamford who are Eligible for Senior Subsidized Housing and are Currently Paying more than 30% of their Gross Income on Housing.
03/08/22 – Submitted by Reps. Moore and Roqueta

REPORT MADE

Co-Chair Roqueta presented a <u>Presentation</u> regarding a possible Grant program for the City of Stamford Eligible Seniors to help with Housing costs.

The Committee agreed this is a great idea and would need a committee to discuss more. Also would need support from Administration to create this sort of program for funding and other resources.

The Meeting was adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

Submitted by

Robert Roqueta, Co-Chair

This meeting is on Video