

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
CAMBRIDGE HOUSING AUTHORITY
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2023 5:30 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: ELAINE DEROSA, CHAIRPERSON
LOUIS BACCI, VICE CHAIRPERSON
SUSAN CONNELLY, TREASURER
GERARD J. CLARK, MEMBER

ABSENT: VICTORIA BERGLAND, MEMBER

ALSO PRESENT: BRENDA DOWNING, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
SUSAN COHEN, GENERAL COUNSEL
SHAYLA SIMMONS, GENERAL COUNSEL
NICHOLAS DESOUZA, RECORDING SECRETARY

In accordance with temporary changes to the open meeting law this meeting is being held by teleconference.

ROLL CALL PRESENT: ELAINE DEROSA, SUSAN CONNELLY, LOUIS BACCI, GERARD J. CLARK

1. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- a. Brenda Snowden Downing is conducting the meeting in place of Michael Johnston
- b. Ms. Downing recognized that for tonight's meeting there are two General Counsels in attendance. Susan Cohen and Shayla Simmons. Shayla's first day back was September 5th and she will be shadowing Susan Cohen while CHA transitions from one to another.
- c. Ms. Downing reported that CHA Teamster Employees conducted a school supplies drive to celebrate going back to school. The drive was able to provide 106 backpacks. A special thank you to John Brennan and Tonya White for organizing. There was a cookout at Lincoln Way featuring residents from Corcoran Park, Roosevelt, and Lincoln Way. There were Amazon gift cards being giveaways, staff provided food. There were donations from community groups such as Whole Foods, Pemberton Farms, and the Cambridge Police Department. The owner of Toscani Ice Cream was there, and he donated Ice Cream to the event.
- d. Ms. Downing reported that Friday, September 8, 2023 CHA will be hosting the Mixtape Barbeque at Beaver Brook Reservation in Belmont, MA. Staff is encouraged to dress in attire from the era in which they identify with. Ms. Downing said Nick DeSouza will send along details to the commissioners.

2. Authorization of Wage Match V3 Form

Authorization to sign the EOHLIC provided document titled "Executive Director/Board Approval Regarding Wage Match, v3 form"

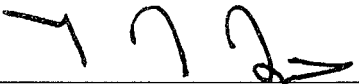
MOTION: Ms. Connelly moved to authorize the Wage Match V3 Form. Mr. Bacci seconded the motion which upon being put to vote, was **passed four in favor, one absent**.

3. **Authorization of Redevelopment of Walkling Court Apartments - Phase 1 Senior/Disabled Housing, Medford MA**

Authorization to Serve as Co-Developer, Co-Sponsor, and Co-Guarantor Redevelopment of Walkling Court Apartments - Phase 1 Senior/Disabled Housing, Medford MA

MOTION: Ms. Connelly moved to authorize the Redevelopment of Walkling Court Apartments - Phase 1 Senior/Disabled Housing, Medford MA. Mr. Clark seconded the motion which upon being put to vote, was **passed four in favor, one absent.**

MOTION: Ms. Connelly moved that there being no further business to come before the Board, that the Board of Commissioners adjourn its Meeting. Mr. Bacci seconded the motion which upon being put to vote, was **passed four in favor, one absent.**



Michael Johnston, Secretary