

KYLE HOUSING AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES

The Kyle Housing Authority met on December 8, 2016 at Kyle City Hall with the following persons present:

Daniel Harper, Chair
Michelle Lopez, Vice Chair
Clara Rodriguez, Secretary
David Salazar
Luis Cruz, Bill Rocha, CPA
Allan Houlik, Bill Rocha, CPA

Kyle City Staff:
Scott Sellers, City Manager
Jerry Hendrix, Chief of Staff
Jennifer Vetrano, City Secretary
Kayleigh Soukup, IT Technician

Citizen Comments:
Dan Ekakiadis
Frank Arredondo

I. Call Meeting To Order

1. Roll Call.

Chairman Harper called the meeting to order at 5:46 PM. Chairman Harper asked the City Secretary to call roll. Present were Daniel Harper, Michelle Lopez, Clara Rodriguez, and David Salazar. A quorum was present.

II. Approval of minutes

2. Approval of Housing Authority meeting minutes for November 29, 2016.

Commissioner Salazar moved to approve the Housing Authority meeting minutes for November 29, 2016. Commissioner Lopez seconded the motion. All votes aye; motion carried 4-0.

III. Citizen Comment Period with Kyle Housing Authority

The Kyle Housing Authority welcomes comments from Citizens early in the agenda of regular meetings. Those wishing to speak are encouraged to sign in before the meeting begins. Speakers may be provided with an opportunity to speak during this time period on any agenda item or any other matter concerning Housing Authority business, and they must observe the three-minute time limit.

Chairman Harper opened citizen comments at 5:47 PM.

Dan Ekakiadis was called to speak. He stated that he had asked Vickie Simpson to bring more public housing to accommodate the growth in Kyle once he learned there was a Housing Authority in Kyle. She had told him that he would need to seek the funding. He now asks the current Commission to seek funding to bring more housing to Kyle.

Frank Arredondo, a resident of San Marcos, was called to speak. He has worked with the U.S. Department of Housing in the Dallas and Lubbock offices. He stated he knows the book part but has never operated a housing authority. He stated he was the manager over some offices at HUD. Mr. Arredondo said there is no new funding for additional low income housing units. He stated that HUD had announced that after 1998 there no support from HUD for new housing developments. The funds are used for maintenance and rent subsidies for existing units. Mr.

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Arredondo continued that the only way to bring housing is to obtain mixed use grants. He submitted a resume to the Housing Authority, and is interested in the Executive Director position.

With no one else wishing to speak, Commissioner Lopez moved to close citizen comments. Commissioner Rodriguez seconded the motion. All votes aye; motion carried 4-0. Citizen comments were closed at 5:52 PM.

V. Executive Session

7. Pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, the Kyle Housing Authority reserves the right to convene into Executive Session(s) from time to time as deemed necessary during this meeting. The Kyle Housing Authority may convene into Executive Session pursuant to any lawful exception contained in Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code including any or all of the following topics.
 1. Pending or contemplated litigation or to seek legal advice pursuant to Section
 2. Possible purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real estate pursuant to Section 551.072.
 - Burleson Road Right of Way Sale
 3. Personnel matters pursuant to Section 551.074.
 - Executive Director Position

Chairman Harper announced that the Housing Authority would adjourn into executive session pursuant to Section 551.072 – Burleson Road Right of Way Sale, and pursuant to Section 551.074 – Executive Director Position.

The Kyle Housing Authority convened into executive session at 5:53 PM.

8. Take action on items discussed in Executive Session.

The Kyle Housing Authority reconvened into open session at 7:01 PM.

Chairman Harper stated that no action took place in Executive Session, however Commissioners Salazar and Rodriguez were appointed as a subcommittee to focus on the Executive Director Search. Commissioner Salazar stated there are options such as appointing an interim ED, selecting a management firm, or posting for the position.

IV. General Discussion

3. General Overview - Vickie Simpson, Executive Director.

Chairman Harper brought forward Item No. 3. Ms. Simpson was not available to attend this evening. There was discussion; no action was taken.

4. Discussion of Financial Statements - Bill Rocha, CPA.

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Chairman Harper brought forward Item No. 4. Mr. Luis Cruz, Senior Auditor, spoke on behalf of Bill Rocha. Allan Houlk was in attendance from Bill Rocha's firm as well. There was discussion; no action was taken.

5. Discussion on Resources Available - Jerry Hendrix, Chief of Staff, City of Kyle.

Chairman Harper brought forward Item No. 5. Mr. Hendrix was called to speak. There was discussion; no action was taken.

6. Discussion on Legal Counsel.

Chairman Harper brought forward Item No. 6 for discussion. There was discussion; no action was taken.

VI. ADJOURN

Chairman Harper moved to adjourn. Commissioner Lopez seconded the motion. All votes aye; motion carried 4-0. With no further business to discuss, the Kyle Housing Authority adjourned at 7:18 PM.

Daniel Harper, Chair

Minutes Prepared by:
Jennifer A. Vetrano, Kyle City Secretary