#### Minutes

# Volusia County Affordable Housing Advisory Committee Wednesday, January 13, 2021 Hope Place Conference Room 1340 Wright St., Daytona Beach 2:00 p.m.

Board Members Housing and Grants Administration Staff

Anne B. Evans, Chair

Dona Butler, Community Services Director

Carmen Hall, Community Assistance Director

Waylan Niece, Secretary Diana Phillips, Community Services Operations Manager

Tony Cassata Corry Brown, Special Projects Coordinator

Allen E. Harrell

Margaret Peggie Hart Susanne I. Odena

Billie Wheeler

#### Call to order

Chair Evans called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

# **Roll Call**

Corry Brown called the role. Tony Cassata and Allen Harrell was not present. A physical quorum was present.

## Item 1 – Housing Element of the Comprehensive Plan

The AHAC discussed each goal, objective and policy in the housing element of the Comprehensive Plan and came to a consensus on whether to provide a comment from the AHAC, and what that comment was. Patricia Smith, Planning and Development Services, answered questions and provided clarification as needed regarding the components of the housing element and proposed changes.

In the compiled recommendations and comments, AHAC stressed the importance of people first wording, ongoing studies, and the inclusion of workforce housing. The comments agreed upon by the AHAC to provide to Planning and Development Services are attached.

#### Item 2 – Establish Meeting Schedule

The AHAC discussed meeting quarterly at Hope Place, adding monthly meetings as needed. The AHAC asked staff to coordinate the scheduling of future meetings by email.

### Discussion by board members of matters not on the agenda

Waylan Niece asked if it was known what the next order of business would be for the AHAC. Corry Brown replied that it was not known at this time.

Sue Odena mentioned the possibility of Amazon having housing funds available in areas with distribution centers. The staff discussed briefly and determined that the current funds available were specific to certain areas, not including Volusia County.

# **Items for staff discussion**

Corry Brown mentioned that staff was working on developing a template to provide to the AHAC for current affordable housing related bills that were under review by state legislature.

# <u>Adjournment</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

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Accepted by:

Waylan Niece, Secretary

Anne Evans, Chair

10-6-21 Date

Date