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Easton Affordable Housing Committee

Regular Meeting Minutes

March 31, 2022 3:00 p.m.

Zoom meeting called to order at 13:06. Present: Gordon Cliff, Phil Doremus, Jay Habansky, Darrell Harris (Secretary), Jackie Kaufman, Ray Martin (Chair), Kevin Rodrigue, Glenn Chalder (Consultant)

Glenn submitted the Easton Affordable Housing (AH) Plan – Revised Draft for Public Input Meeting 3/28/22 for discussion and revision by the AH Committee. Included for review facilitation were documents, including surveys, responses and resident submissions that were compiled or collected at or around the time of the Easton AH Public Input Meeting on 28 March 2022.

The committee went through the draft document, page by page. Some of the notable comments revolved around the following:

- Discussion of Senior Housing, and how it is open to all seniors, not just Easton residents
- Discussion of American Community Survey data, and its representational relevance to the AH report
- Discussion of challenges to implementation of the additions to affordable housing
- Using hyperlinks for reference, rather than making additions to the Glossary.
- Discussion of public comments and email submissions, and addressing these comments to determine whether the issues brought up are covered in the draft document
 - Glenn used the public survey comments to guide this discussion
 - When an option in the AH Plan Draft was brought up, we acknowledged the public's survey results in assessing whether an option should remain in it
- Clarification of the difference in addresses of the Old Samuel Staples school and SSES, for AH purposes
- Discussion of South Park's inclusion as an Affordable Housing location option
- Decision to include the public survey results from 28 March in the Appendix
- Discussion of Aquarion's interest in maintaining the quality of the Public Supply Watershed, and how they are a necessary stakeholder in crafting any solutions
- No committee vote on these revisions at this current meeting; this will be done at the April meeting

Meeting adjourned at 14:56