

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

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COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Renters & Housing
Wednesday, April 27, 2022, 7:00 PM
Webinar ID:899 4733 0974
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89947330974>
(669) 900-6833

Asher Landau is not appearing on the roster for attendance.
Asher Landau here at opening of roll.
Please review minute content to see actual vote count which will include Asher Landau.

Welcome

7:01 PM start

1. Roll Call

Attending

Joseph Hill Brandi D'Amore Asher Landau

Absent

Luis Saldivar Thomas Daniels Valls

2. Approval of Minutes

Minutes not available. Either done by Luis Saldivar or Bianca Cockrell. May hear February '22 minutes at the next committee meeting. No March meeting.

3. Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (2 minutes each)

None

4. LA Housing Department (LAHD) First Time Home Buyer program

<https://housing.lacity.org/housing/helping-low-income-first-time-homebuyers>

A) Presentation by representative(s) of LAHD with subsequent discussion and question/answer of program

Organization program facilitators cannot come to this meeting as not given enough time to participate at this meeting, and will come in future provided agency receives enough notice.

B) Discussion and possible motion to recommend sponsoring an electronic presentation of this program

Asher Landau said the program seems beneficial, wondering how they structure the program since it looks like the highest loan is \$90,000. He also questioned how to outreach education about this program. Joseph Hill echoed that it looks like a good program, how can to get the word out about this.

Brandi D'Amore indicated that it Feels like the maximum cost of the home for eligibility seems incongruent with property costs. Committee has had success in the past with educating the public about programs like these. The committee agrees that it wants to have program facilitators present at next opportunity. No cost to offer electronic presentation to publicize availability of this program. Committee deliberated if it wants to sponsor an event for messaging before having a presentation by the agency.

Public commentary: None

Committee will hold off on making a formal recommendation until the presentation occurs.

5. Mayor's proposed budget for the Consolidated Plan, Federal Grants for L.A. Housing & Community Development 2022-23
https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2021/21-1186-S1_rpt_mayor_4-4-22.pdf

Council File 21-1186-S1

Council File <https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=21-1186-S1>

- A) Discussion of having a representative of Consolidated Planning Division attend

It is too late at this juncture to have someone attend for CIS purposes. However, members will discuss in future if need to have someone attend for future after to discuss ramifications of plan upon vote.

- B) Discussion and possible recommendation to Full Board to submit Community Impact Statement (CIS) on CF-21-1186-S1 Housing and Community Development Consolidated Plan / 5th Year Action Plan (2022-23)

The committee reviewed the Consolidated Plan.

Asher Landau says that document is detailed, difficult to comment on how funding amounts are prioritized or allocated; noted USC not receiving a grant this year even though it did in previous year. Joseph Hill concurs that document is dense, yet nothing stood out as an immediate concern. He indicated that having someone from Planning attend would be beneficial to simplify and answer questions.

Brand D'Amore indicated that feedback reception is open until the 18th, so there would not be another opportunity to have someone come to committee. Her review of the CIS file indicates only one public comment in the Council File, and it was not directly related to the primary document.

Request for public comment or question on the Plan; none.

The committee then considered if it should recommend a CIS submission to Full Board. Mr. Landau thought HUNC should weigh in, the topic is important. He suggested that the CIS should request more time, clarification, and access to people who can answer questions. He would support a vote for a CIS to support Plan with the caveat that the public should have had more time to review, access to someone who can answer questions; also ability for HUNC to conduct outreach and see what stakeholders think about this.

Ms. D'Amore would support a CIS to oppose for the reasons that there was not enough time to review, ask questions, get clarification. Based on Mr. Landau's work engaging with some of the recipients of the Plan, Mr. Landau was asked to consult the City Attorney/Steve Houchin to determine if there is a potential conflict of interest.

Mr. Hill was torn between supporting/opposing due to the committee's concerns. He said a CIS should be done and he can support going either way as long as there is an opportunity to express the fact committee could not get stakeholder input or have our questions answered.

Mr. Landau indicates that ultimately he wants to support the program and grants so would be in favor of a CIS supporting Consolidated Plan with concerns noted. No public comment on the CIS content or vote.

Motion passed.

Mr. Landau makes motion to recommend a cis in support of Consolidated Plan, with the caveat of committee concerns (listed above). Joseph seconds motion.

Brandi D'Amore yes-1

Joseph Hill yes 1

Asher Landau yes 1

Luis Saldivar absent

Thomas Valls absent

Motion passed.

Ms. D'Amore asks Mr. Landau to draft the CIS for submission to Full Board and provide to her for review. He agrees.

Motion Made: Motion to recommendation to Full Board to submit Community Impact Statement (CIS) on CF-21-1186-S1 Housing and Community Development Consolidated Plan / 5th Year Action Plan (2022-23_ with the concerns as discussed in committee to be presented in a CIS at Full Board

**(Actual vote in the description as Asher Landau not appearing in system.)*

Motion: Asher Landau**Second:** Joseph Hill**Vote:** Yes-2, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-0**Yes**

Brandi D'Amore

Joseph Hill

6. Scheduling Meetings

- A) Discussion and possible action on determining a new recurring day and time of month for committee meetings

Committee will discuss in a future meeting when all committee members are available to participate.

- B) Discussion and determination of committee meeting in May 2022

This agenda item and the next were contained in the same conversation. Committee is determining if they should meet in May and/or June, as the President has been encouraging committees to not meet one or both months. President has left it to committees to decide their schedule, though still encouraging going dark.***Joseph Hill would recommend to have a meeting one of the months, not go dark for both. He would recommend going dark in May to allow for time for agenda items to compile for June. If anything urgent came up could always schedule a special meeting. Asher Landau could go either way, does not have a strong opinion either way about which month we would meet.******Brandi D'Amore could also go either way. Her immediate concern is that fault evictions begin June 1st for those that did not apply for Emergency Rental Assistance Program; if committee went dark in May, it would not be able to discuss this in time if there was a pressing issue. She also feels like it would be better to loop in the other committee members who are currently absent to get their preferences before making a decision.******Decision of the committee is to not meet in May, and committee will discuss amongst itself when June meeting will occur.***

- C) Discussion and determination of committee meeting in June 2022

See previous agenda item. Committee intends to meet in June; will determine date amongst members.

7. Committee Member announcements on items not on the Agenda

None

8. Old/Ongoing Business

None

9. New/Future Business

None

Adjournment at 7:44 PM

Reconsideration: The Board may reconsider and amend its action on items listed on the agenda if that reconsideration takes place before the end of the meeting at which it was considered or at the next regular meeting. The Board, on either of these two days, shall: (1) Make a Motion for Reconsideration and, if approved, (2) hear the matter and take an action. If the motion to reconsider an action is to be scheduled at the next meeting following the original action, then two items shall be placed on the agenda for that meeting: (1) A Motion for Reconsideration on the described matter and (2) a [Proposed] action should the motion to reconsider be approved. A Motion for Reconsideration can only be made by a Board member who has previously voted on the prevailing side of the original action taken. If a Motion for Reconsideration is not made on the date the action was taken, then a Board member on the prevailing side of the action must submit a memorandum to the Recording Secretary identifying the matter to be reconsidered and a brief description of the reason(s) for requesting reconsideration at the next regular meeting. The aforesaid shall all be in compliance with the Ralph M. Brown Act.