# JOURNAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF COOK COUNTY May 12, 2023 at 11:04 a.m.

### ROLL CALL

# **COMMISSIONERS PRESENT**

Wendy Walker Williams, Chair (participating via Zoom.us)
Polly Kuehl, Vice Chair
Elaine Kroll, Commissioner
Eric L. Slaughter, Commissioner
Herb Porter, Commissioner

### COMMISSIONERS NOT PRESENT

Norma Salleh-Barone, Commissioner Nilda Soler, Commissioner

### HACC STAFF PRESENT

Richard Monocchio, Executive Director
Alesia Hushaw, Chief of Staff
Karl Becker, Chief Financial Officer
Sheryl Seiling, Director of Rent Assistance
Asif Rahman, Director of Project Development
Deborah O'Donnell, Procurement Manager
Jon Duncan, General Counsel
Tina Pourroy, Development Associate Executive
Kevan Casson, Director of Human Services (participating via Zoom.us)
Debbie Kyker, Executive Assistant
Marcus King, Director of Strategy and Communication (participating via Zoom.us)
Darrick Shafer, Regional Manager North (participating via Zoom.us)
Chalone Liddell, Regional Manager South (participating via Zoom.us)
Diana Cornejo, Paralegal (participating via Zoom.us)

## OTHER ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Rod Solomon, Attorney (participating via Zoom.us) Bill James, Camiros (participating via Zoom.us)

### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Wendy Walker Williams called the May 12, 2023 meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of Cook County to order at approximately 11:04 a.m.

# MOTION TO ALLOW COMMISSIONERS TO PARTICIPATE ELECTRONICALLY VIA ZOOM.US

General Counsel Jon Duncan noted that a quorum of Commissioners was physically present at the general meeting location and that Chair Wendy Walker Williams was participating electronically from a remote location via Zoom.us. Jon Duncan noted that the Illinois Open Meetings Act requires that a motion of the Commissioners who are present at the central meeting location must be approved in order for Wendy Walker Williams to participate electronically and to cast votes at the meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Herb Porter and seconded by Commissioner Eric L. Slaughter to allow Chair Wendy Walker Williams to participate electronically and to cast votes from a remote location The Commissioners who were present at the general meeting location approved the motion unanimously.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chair Wendy Walker Williams opened the floor for public comments, but no public comments were submitted.

# MOTION TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION (CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC)

Chair Wendy Walker Williams requested that the Board move into Executive Session in order to discuss authorizing the Executive Director to submit an offer to purchase certain real estate located in Cook County. General Counsel Jon Duncan stated that Section 2(c)(1) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act allows the Board to move into Executive Session for this purpose, and that the Act also requires that minutes of the Executive Session would be kept separately and that no votes could be taken during Executive Sessions.

A motion was unanimously agreed to move into Executive Session, whereupon the Board moved into Executive Session pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act, for which separate non-public minutes are maintained.

# BOARD RETURNS TO REGULAR PUBLIC SESSION

Following the Executive Session, the Board moved back into Regular Public Session. General Counsel Jon Duncan noted in Public Session that no votes had been taken during the Executive Session, other than to approve a motion to adjourn the Executive Session and to return to the Public Session.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2023 - HACC - 18**

Authorizing the Executive Director of Submit an Offer to Purchase Certain Real Estate located in Cook County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Polly Kuehl and seconded by Commissioner Eric L. Slaughter for approval of Resolution No. 2023 – HACC – 18. The motion carried with all "ayes."

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for the Board's consideration, Chair Wendy Walker Williams requested a motion to adjourn the meeting of the Board, which was made by Commissioner Eric L. Slaughter and seconded by Commissioner Herb Porter. The motion to adjourn carried with all "ayes."

The Meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Ion A. Duncan

Temporary Executive Director and General Counsel

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