



Minutes

Blue Ribbon Working Group on Affordable Housing

801 Texas Avenue, Thorman Conference Room (Basement)

Thursday, July 14, 2016

In attendance:

Ray Adauto

Bill Schlesinger

Frank Spencer

Noemi Tovar

Al Velarde

Absent:

All five members in attendance

Staff and Others Present:

Please see attached sign in sheet

1. Call to Order and Introductions

- Meeting called to order at: 7:34am

2. Approval of minutes from the Blue Ribbon Working Group Meeting on 7/07/2016.

- Minutes approved unanimously.

3. Discussion and action on the Working Group's recommendations to City Council for evaluation criteria, and weighting thereof, of Low Income Housing Tax Credit requests for local government support resolutions.

- Motion made to amend value statements. Motion passed.
Revised value statements (listed in order of priority):
 1. Maximize affordable housing units within the City of El Paso with whatever combination of projects produces the most affordable housing units given allocation of funds for the region

2. Support breaking the cycle of poverty and supporting upward mobility by either directly providing or facilitating availability of social services
 3. Residents given an opportunity for inclusiveness and afforded an opportunity access public services
 4. Local presence and long-term accountability in El Paso
 5. Increase density of area, meeting City smart growth initiative as set out in Plan El Paso
- Motion made to approve evaluation weighting of values. Motion passed.
 - The 100 point scale will grant each value statement the following points in order of priority (40, 20, 15, 15 and 10).

4. Identification and discussion of items for future agendas.

- Working group members will analyze and decide on evaluation criteria to recommend to City Council.

5. Adjournment.

- Meeting adjourned at 8:55 am

Chair

Secretary

Date

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