

**HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF AURORA
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MINUTES
6:00 p.m. January 9, 2025

Presiding: Chairperson Cleland

Present: Vice-Chair Spencer
Commissioner Ashburn
Commissioner Barnes
Commissioner Huffman
Commissioner Suh

Excused: Commissioner Neeley

Staff: Steve Blackstock, Interim Executive Director
Les Arney, Chief Financial Officer
Celia Rivas, Director of Assisted Housing
Torey Dixon, Sr. Director of Property Operations
Martin Petrov, Sr. Director of Housing Development
Kristin Mounce, Office Manager

ANNUAL MEETING AURORA HOUSING AUTHORITY

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Huffman called the Annual Meeting of the Aurora Housing Authority to order at 5:59 p.m.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chairperson Huffman opened the floor to nominations:

Commissioner Barnes proposed the following slate of officers for the year 2025, following the two-year term of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson:

Barbara Cleland nominated for Chairperson.
Martina Spencer nominated for Vice-Chairperson
Steve Blackstock as Secretary

Commissioner Ashburn made a motion to nominate the proposed slate of officers. Second by Commissioner Barnes. There were no objections. Motion carried.

Commissioner Ashburn made a motion to adjourn the annual meeting. Second by Commissioner Suh. Motion carried.

The annual meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

REGULAR JANUARY MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Cleland called the regular January meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Commissioner Suh made a motion to adopt the agenda as modified, adding an Executive Session prior to reports. Second by Commissioner Barnes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC TO BE HEARD

Hubert Farbes, Garnett Powell Maximon Barlow

Natalie Klee, Garnett Powell Maximon Barlow

Julie Hoebel, Grovewood Community Development

Jo Ellen Davidson, Grovewood Community Development

Agenda item #4 – Executive Session, Legal Matters

Executive Session – Legal Matters

Chairperson Cleland made a motion to move the Board of Commissioners into an Executive Session pursuant to §24-6-402(4)(b), C.R.S., for the purpose of discussing Legal Matters at 6:04 p.m. Second by Commissioner Ashburn. Motion carried.

Commissioner Suh made a motion to exit Executive Session at 6:50 p.m. Second by Commissioner Barnes. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

All in favor of approving the consent agenda. None opposed.

Agenda Item #5 – Stables Presentation, Grovewood Community Development

Ms. Davidson and Ms. Hoebel with Grovewood Community Development presented to the Board a proposal for a Special Limited Partnership with AHA.

The Board then dismissed Grovewood Community Development in order to discuss the SLP in Executive Session.

Executive Session, Real Estate Matters

Commissioner Ashburn made a motion to move the Board of Commissioners into an Executive Session pursuant to §24-6-402(4)(a), C.R.S., for the purpose of discussing Real Estate Matters at 7:16 p.m. Second by Commissioner Suh. Motion carried.

Commissioner Suh made a motion to exit Executive Session at 7:26 p.m. Second by Commissioner Huffman. Motion carried.

AHA Board Resolution No. 665

Commissioner Huffman made a motion to approve AHA Board Resolution No. 665, approving the SLP with Grovewood Community Development at the full partnership rate per Board policy. Second by Commissioner Barnes. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #6 – Sale of 1455 Emporia

Mr. Petrov brought to the Board, a proposal for the sale of 1455 Emporia.

Commissioner Ashburn made a motion to approve AHA Board Resolution No. 666, approving the sale of 1455 Emporia. Second by Commissioner Huffman. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #6 – Employee Handbook

Mr. Blackstock presented to the Board a revised version of the AHA Employee Handbook for approval.

Vice-Chair Spencer made a motion to approve the revised version of the Employee Handbook. Second by Commissioner Suh. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #7 – Executive Director Search Process

Mr. Blackstock updated the Board on the progress of the Executive Director Search Process.

New Business/Commissioner Comments

There was no new business, or additional Commissioner Comments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business,

Commissioner Barnes made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Second by Commissioner Suh. Motion carried.

Chairperson Cleland adjourned the meeting at 7:57 p.m.



Barbara Cleland, Chairperson
Housing Authority of the City of Aurora



Steve Blackstock
Interim Executive Director/Secretary