

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA
JOINT WORKSHOP ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING
February 22, 2022**

The County Commission and City Commission met in a joint workshop session on February 22, 2022, in the City Commission Chambers. Present were: Mayor John E. Dailey, City Commissioners Curtis Richardson, Jeremy Matlow, Jacqueline Porter, and Dianne Williams-Cox, Chairman Bill Proctor, Vice-Chair Nick Maddox, and County Commissioners Carolyn Cummings, Kristin Dozier, Jimbo Jackson, Rick Minor, and Brian Welch. Also present were City Manager Reese Goad, County Administrator Vincent Long, Deputy County Administrator Alan Rosenzweig, City Attorney Cassandra Jackson, County Attorney Chasity O'Steen, City Treasurer-Clerk Jim Cooke, Ms. Abena Ojetayo, Director of City Housing & Community Resilience, Mr. Shington Lamy, Director of the Leon County Office of Human Services & Community Partnerships, City staff, and County staff.

Mayor Dailey called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. Vice-Chair Maddox and Chairman Proctor joined the meeting at 9:05 and 9:19 a.m., respectively.

Item 2.01 – Citizen Input:

The following persons addressed the Commissions.

1. K. Lennorris Barber, 527 W Brevard Street, Executive Director, Mount Olive Affordable Housing & CDC, Inc., expressed support of the initiative and encouraged the City and County to focus on affordable, single-family units as a means to homeownership and wealth-building.
2. Stanley Sims, 1320 Avondale Way, expressed support of the initiative.
3. Chuck White, 537 Frank Shaw Road, currently with the Continuum of Care/Big Bend Homeless Coalition, and former member of the Housing Finance Authority, Housing Leadership Council, and County's Affordable Housing Advisory Council, expressed support of the initiative and encouraged a no-loss policy for the existing stock of affordable housing. He also suggested that the City and County Commissions consider uses for the 400 vacant mobile home lots available across Tallahassee and Leon County.

Item 3.01 – Housing Workshop

Ms. Abena Ojetayo, Director of City Housing & Community Resilience, and Mr. Shington Lamy, Director of the County Office of Human Services & Community Partnerships, presented the item and answered the questions of the County and City Commissioners relative thereto.

County Commission Action: Vice-Chair Maddox moved, seconded by Commissioner Dozier, to approve Options #1 through #5, as recommended by the City Housing & Community Resilience and County Office of Human Services & Community Partnerships. The motion passed 7-0.

City Commission Action: Mayor Dailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Williams-Cox, to approve Options #1 through #5, as recommended by the City Housing & Community Resilience and County Office of Human Services & Community Partnerships. The motion passed 5-0.

The options that were approved by the County Commission and City Commission are as follows:

Option #1: Accept the joint report on affordable housing in Tallahassee-Leon County;

Option #2: As recommended by the County and City Affordable Housing Advisory Committees, direct County and City staff to partner with the Florida Housing Coalition to draft updated Inclusionary Housing Ordinances for the County and City that are identical and mandatory within the Urban Services Area to be considered by the County Commission and City Commission, respectively;

Option #3: Direct Planning staff to initiate a Comprehensive Plan amendment concurrent with the development of uniform and mandatory Inclusionary Housing Ordinances in the County and City;

Option #4: Direct County and City staff to draft an Interlocal Agreement for the collaboration on the State Housing Initiative Partnership Program within the City limits for consideration by the County Commission and City Commission respectively; and

Option #5: Direct City and County staff to pursue a partnership with Promised Land Community Development Corporation for the development of affordable housing for homeownership.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to discuss, without objection, the meeting adjourned at 12:41 p.m.

ATTEST:



BY: Bill Proctor
Bill Proctor, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

BY: Gwendolyn Marshall
Gwendolyn Marshall, Clerk of Court
& Comptroller, Leon County, Florida