Town of Hudson





Minutes of Meeting April 22, 2020

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Hudson Affordable Housing Trust was conducted via remote participation.

A meeting of the Town of Hudson's Affordable Housing Trust (AHT) was held on Wednesday April 22, 2020; Kevin Santos convened the meeting at 4:35PM.

The following AHT voting members were in attendance:

Kevin Santos, Chair, Vice Chair, John Parent, Ian Mazmanian, Anna McCabe, Jim Quinn, Jory Tsai, Darryl Fillippi

The following individuals were also present:

Jack Hunter, Director of Planning and Community Development; Kristina Johnson, Assistant Director of Planning and Community Development, Jen Van Campen, Metro West Development and Jeannette Millard, 21 Rock Ave.

I. Rental Assistance Program— Mr. Hunter informed the Trust that he and Kristina have been educating themselves on developing a program to offer assistance to individuals who are income qualified due to Covid 19 on making their rental payments. He asked Ms. Van Campen to attend and explain what she has been working on to see if there was any interest to develop such a program here in Hudson.

Jen reviewed what Mass Housing has been proposing throughout the state and went offer some draft documents regarding legibility, process and developing an agreement.

The Trust had many questions centered on how the process would work, eligibility requirements, how much was reasonable per household, how much the Trust might contribute immediately and generally was it a good idea.

It was unanimous that it was a good idea.

Next the trust discussed a fee for Metro west and what was possible. Jen mentioned she might be looking for \$500 per application.

The Trust outlined a possible program as such:

\$50,000 for initial funding

\$500 per month for a maximum of 3 months retroactive to March 2020

Lottery if applications exceed funding

The Trust then asked Mr. Hunter and Ms. Johnson to meet with Ms. Van Campen to see if a program and fees could be developed and bring them back to the Trust.

II. Packard St. Reuse Committee

Ms. McCabe gave a brief review of the Committee who had its first meeting last week. Many options were discussed and the consultants will be coming back to the committee with more details and renderings.

- IV. **Minutes 2. 5.2020** On a motion by John Parent and seconded by Mr. Masmanian it was voted unanimously that the minutes of February 5, 2020, be approved.
- V. **Other Business** There was none at this time.
- VI. **Adjourn** On a motion by Mr. Santos seconded by Ms. McCabe it was voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 5:35PM