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Housing Advisory Committee

Draft - Meeting Minutes

October 9, 2019 – City Council Chambers, City Hall, 7351 Rosanna St.

I. Welcome – Call to Order

The Housing Advisory Committee meeting was called to order by Chair Lerner at 6:07 p.m.

HAC Members present: Reid Lerner (Chair), Rebeca Armendariz, Tuyen Fiack, Brenda Flores, Manny Singh

HAC Members absent: Paulina Baeza

City Staff present: Sue O'Strander, Deputy Community Development Director, Sandra Nava
Committee Liaison

Report on posting of the agenda: Liaison Nava reported that the agenda was posted on Friday, October 4, 2019 at 4:35 p.m.

Staff comments: Liaison Nava informed members that remaining business cards and name badges will be distributed after the meeting.

Committee Comments: Member Morasca asked whether an excused absence is recorded as an absence when a meeting is cancelled due to a lack of a quorum and said he would check with the City Clerk's office on the process for remotely participating in the November 13th meeting.

Public comment on items not on the agenda: There was no public comment on any items not on the agenda.

II. Approval of Minutes from July 10, 2019

Motion was made by Chair Lerner, seconded by Member Armendariz and carried 5-0-1, Committee Member Fiack abstaining to approve the October 31, 2019 meeting minutes.

III. Update on Gilroy Housing Needs Survey

Members received late delivered email from Interim Community Development Director Greg Larson explaining that the City does not have ability to support the committee's proposed housing needs survey and described other similar housing related assessment efforts that will be underway soon. Members discussed their plan to move forward with creating an unofficial housing needs survey and canvassing the community to get input.

Public comment: A member of the public asked what the purpose of the survey is and where it will be distributed.

IV. General Plan 2040 Community Workshops/Land Use Alternatives

Chair Lerner provided members with an update on the General Plan 2040 land use alternatives community workshops. He encouraged members to look on City's website for General Plan 2040 information and future meetings to plan for growth in Gilroy. The Planning Commission will present choices on land use alternatives to Council on November 18, 2019. Members were informed about the Equity and Engagement Workshop to be held November 8th at 227 I.O.O.F Ave. (Cesar Chavez Gym) from 6:30-8:30 p.m. The members hope to have survey ready in one week.

Public comment: More people are moving to Gilroy because housing is more affordable here and train schedule change will be helpful.

V. Update HAC Council Funding Request

Staff informed the committee that the Council budget did not include for additional staff time to be allocated to the HAC for the fiscal year. It is up to the Community Development Director and City Administrator to determine if the HAC will receive the requested presentation from staff on the “missing middle”, tour of affordable housing projects, and any additional requested hours of staff time.

VI. Nov. 4, 2019 Annual Advisory Presentation to Council

Staff provided an overview of the presentation process. Discussion was held and edits were made to the talking points of the draft PowerPoint presentation.

VII. Future Agenda Items

- a. Survey discussion
- b. Future field trips

VIII. Adjournment -

Chair Lerner adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.