



MELVINDALE HOUSING COMMISSION

**Regular Meeting
January 27, 2020**

A regular meeting of the Melvindale Housing Commission Board was held on January 27, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. the community room of Coogan Terrace.

Vice Chairperson DeCaire called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Ansley, Hector Cotto, Carmen Cotto, and DeCaire were present

Commissioner C. Cotto moved to excuse Commissioner Herman's absence; Ansley seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

Also present: Staff – Cynthia C. Telfer, Executive Director; Elizabeth Dionisi, Financial Assistant; Sheri Hall, Property Manager; and Veronica Echevarria, Rental Assistance Manager

I. Approval of Agenda

C. Cotto moved to approve the agenda *H. Cotto* seconded.
Motion approved 4–0 (Ansley, H. Cotto, C. Cotto, and DeCaire)

II. Approval of Minutes

December 16, 2019 Regular Meeting minutes

H. Cotto moved to approve the board minutes from December 16, 2019 *C. Cotto* seconded. Motion approved 4–0 (Ansley, H. Cotto, C. Cotto, and DeCaire)

III. New Business

- **Annual Meeting / Election of Officers**
Vice Chair DeCaire tabled until all Commissioners could be present.

- **Resolutions**

Resolution 2020-01 Approval of Corrective Action Plan (SEMAP)

Ansley moved to approve; *H. Cotto* seconded. Telfer reviewed the Corrective Action Plan and steps the voucher program would take to correct its deficiencies in Indicator #7 and #13.

Motion approved 4 – 0 (Ansley, H. Cotto, C. Cotto, and DeCaire)

Resolution 2020-02 Approval to Increase One-Bedroom Payment Standard
Ansley moved to approve; *H. Cotto* seconded. Telfer reviewed the request to increase the one bedroom payment standard with the expectation that it would make it easier and faster for voucher holders to lease up.
Motion approved 4 – 0 (Ansley, H. Cotto, C. Cotto, and DeCaire)

IV. Commission Reports

Staff reviewed reports – Board accepted and noted they would be placed on file.

V. Communication - December Newsletter

VI. Public Commentary

- Patricia Harmon #316 - Bathrooms are locked up; I checked with someone down town and was told a building this size should have open public restrooms. Also complained of slamming doors.
- Juanita McMullen #221 – Has observed people calling the police (EMS) for insignificant issues and abusing the system.
- Donald Harper #315 – Came to the meeting to listen. Wants to thank Cindy and her staff for what they do for him.
- Annette Taylor #117 – She is saddened to listen to fellow residents. She's trying to hold a super bowl party; not asking for any money, just trying to do it for the men. Please don't give out fake news. It's (super bowl party) funded by not, we aren't involving the office.

VII. Announcements by Commissioner's

- Ansley –No announcements
- H. Cotto –No announcements
- DeCaire – No announcements
- C. Cotto – Happy Birthday to the January babies.

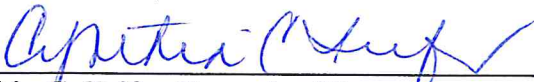
• VIII. Adjournment

H. Cotto motioned; *Ansley* seconded to adjourn at 3:43 p.m.

Motion passed unanimously.



Jeanette DeCaire, Vice Chair



Cynthia C. Telfer, Executive Director