

MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE
Housing, Homeless and Neighborhood Development (HHAND)
Advisory Commission
SUMMARY MINUTES - DRAFT
May 3, 2023

Call to Order

The Housing, Homeless and Neighborhood Development (HHAND) Advisory Commission meeting was initialized by Commissioner Peggy Rotan at 4:06pm. The meeting was staffed by the Anchorage Health Department (AHD), Human Services Division (HSD), Community Safety and Development (CSD).

A. Roll Call & Introductions

Commissioners Present	Commissioners Absent	Presenters
SJ Klein, Chair Elsie Crossmon, Secretary Stephanie Taylor Peggy Rotan	Rosalina Mavaega Kathy Henslee, Public Relations Jim Crawford, Vice Chair Josh Louwerse	
AHD CSD Staff	MOA AHD Staff	Guests
Valerie Madison, Senior Office Associate	Alexis Johnson	Jessica Parks, RurAL CAP

B. Commissioner Rotan reviewed Order of Business – No quorum

C. No quorum to approve March 1, 2023, minutes – majority consensus

D. Old Business

1. Develop a Strategic Plan for Housing Commission: **Work in progress - Continues**
 - a. Mission Statement – “To Increase Housing Stock in Anchorage”
 - b. Define goals and objectives –
 1. Identify needs. – Affordable, permanent housing. How many and how much?
 2. Identify barriers to meeting those needs. – Accurate number of those in need. Funding availability held up by various regulations that prevent access to already established organizations. **Need to encourage new building permits.**
 3. Make recommendations.
 4. Identify funding services.
 5. Identify those capable of helping to solve problems.

E. New Business

1. Bill Taylor, Colony Builders – **No Show**
2. Andre Spenilli, Anchorage builder/contractor (Tentative) – **No Show**

F. Public Comments – Alexis Johnson answered question by S J Klein regarding what to expect in the upcoming winter sheltering for the homeless, knowing that she had been in some recent meetings. Navigation center appears to still be on the table.

G. Commissioners Comments –

Peggy expressed disappointment in not having any representatives present to answer our housing questions.

Elsie Crossmon said she would ask the commissioners to try again to invite representatives to the June 2023 meeting as noted here:

- Jim Crawford will invite representative from Planning and Zoning,
- Kathy Henslee will invite a representative from Alaska Home Builders, and
- SJ Klein will invite a representative from Building and Permitting for our May meeting.

H. Reports – None

Adjourned the meeting at 4:29pm.

Meeting adjourned at 4:29pm. The next HHAND Commission meeting is scheduled for June 7, 2023, from 4:00 – 5:30 pm., at 825 L Street, Conference Room #423, and through Microsoft Teams.