



**MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE**  
**Housing, Homeless and Neighborhood**  
**Development (HHAND)**  
**Advisory Commission**  
**SUMMARY MINUTES**  
**November 05, 2025**



**Call to Order**

The Housing, Homeless and Neighborhood Development (HHAND) Advisory Commission meeting reached a quorum and was opened by Chair Dave Rittenberg at 4:04 PM. The meeting was staffed by the Anchorage Health Department (AHD), Human Services Division (HSD), Community Safety and Development (CSD).

**A. Roll Call & Introductions** (*virtual attendance italicized*):

**Commissioners**

**Present:** Chair Dave Rittenberg, *Vice Chair Jessica Parks, Michelle Baker, Julie Greene-Graham, Daniel Sager, D. Sheneé Williams, Dr. Marvin Johnson*

**Absent:** Laura Reijns

**MOA Staff**

**AHD:** Darcie Montalvo, Human Services Division Manager; Jed Drolet, CSD Program Manager; Chase Burghgrave, CSD Lead Planner; Kyle Mielke, Community Development Specialist; Valerie Madison, Community Development Specialist; Frankie Dahl, Senior Office Associate; Leila Taylor, Housing Services Division Manager; *Kimberly White, Housing & Homelessness Program Manager;*

**Other Departments:** Thea Agnew Bemben, Special Assistant to the Mayor

**Guests or Presenters**

Kenny Petersen

**B. Approval of Order of Business –Chair entertained a motion to approve the agenda as presented.**

<b><u>MOTION:</u></b> Julie Greene-Graham
<b><u>SECOND:</u></b> Dr. Marvin Johnson
<b><u>DISCUSSION:</u></b> None
<b><u>VOTE:</u></b> No Opposition

**C. Approval of September 2025 minutes**

<b><u>MOTION:</u></b> Julie Greene-Graham
<b><u>SECOND:</u></b> Michelle Baker
<b><u>DISCUSSION:</u></b> None
<b><u>VOTE:</u></b> No Opposition

**D. Action Items**

**1. Review and Approve a Resolution regarding the municipal 10,000 Homes in 10 Years initiative:**

<b><u>MOTION:</u></b> Daniel Sager
<b><u>SECOND:</u></b> Dr. Marvin Johnson
<b><u>DISCUSSION:</u></b>

<b><u>SUBSIDIARY MOTION to amend the language in number 2 from “neighborhoods” to “districts.”</u></b> Chair David Rittenberg
<b><u>SECOND:</u></b> Daniel Sager
<b><u>VOTE:</u></b> No Opposition
<b><u>SUBSIDIARY MOTION to amend the language in number 4 to add faith-based organizations to the list of partners</u></b> Julie Greene-Graham
<b><u>SECOND:</u></b> Chair David Rittenberg
<b><u>VOTE:</u></b> No Opposition
<b><u>VOTE:</u></b> No Opposition

2. **Review and Approve changes to the HHAND Commission Rules & Procedures:** This item was postponed until the December meeting.

#### **E. Informational Items**

1. Ongoing Business
  - a. **Update from the Mayor’s Office:** Special Assistant to the Mayor Thea Agnew Bemben gave updates about the addition of surge beds to shelters, upcoming abatements, the microunits project, and the budget for 2026.
  - b. **Update from Housing and Homelessness:** No HHS representatives were present at this point in the meeting.
  - c. **Update from Community Safety and Development:** Program Manager Jed Drolet gave updates about Emergency Rental Assistance closeout and how much funding is projected to be returned to the Department of the Treasury.
2. New Business
  - a. **Presentation from Kenny Petersen about the Good Neighbor Fund:** Community member Kenny Petersen presented on the history, methodology, and ethos of the Good Neighbor Fund project.

<b><u>MOTION to extend the meeting by 10 minutes:</u></b> Daniel Sager
<b><u>SECOND:</u></b> Julie Greene-Graham
<b><u>VOTE:</u></b> No Opposition

#### **F. General Public Comments —**

1. Karen Barnard provided public comment about her experience with homelessness.
2. Jamie Lopez provided public comment about the structure of public comment at commission meetings and the emergency response to Typhoon Halong evacuees.

#### **G. Commissioner Comments —**

1. Commissioner Greene-Graham expressed interest in discussing amending the agenda format to make public comment more user friendly at commission meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 PM. No motion for adjournment was made as the agreed upon time for adjournment had passed. The next HHAND Commission meeting is scheduled for December 3rd, 2025, from 4:00 – 5:30 pm., at 825 L Street, Conference Room #423, and through Microsoft Teams.