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### **HHHR Committee**

**April 10th , 2018**

433 1st Avenue, New York, NY, Room 220

### **Meeting Minutes**

Present: Aissata Camara (Chair), Rajesh Nayar, (Vice Chair), Aaron Humphrey, Carin van der Donk, Pamela Vassil, Claude L. Winfield.

Excused: Louise Dankberg

Absent: Claire Brennan

#### Guests:

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### **Call to Order and Adoption of the Agenda/Previous Meeting's Minutes**

Aissata Camara called the meeting to order at 06:32 PM

### **Committee Business**

#### **1. Discussion of Survey Results on Committee Priorities**

The key concerns by the committee, in order of priority, identified by the committee members

are: - Affordable housing

- Homelessness
- More focus on seniors aging in place.

Aissata C. suggested we break into smaller task forces to address these priorities.

Aaron H expressed concerns about the equitability of the process to apply for affordable housing. For example, a bad credit score shouldn't be a deterrent for people to have access to affordable housing.

Raj N. expressed concern that there is a gap in efforts to provide housing in NYC for middle income families. That diversity should expand and also mean a diversity in income ranges.

Pam V brought up a discussion regarding how far the board can go beyond being just an advisory body.

Aissata C. suggested we find and bring problems to our elected officials, and to build on previous work done.

Claude W suggested our work supports what our CM are working on. That we should try to be a bridge between tenant groups.

A discussion was had regarding re-establishing CAB's. We need to be more pro-active.

A homelessness forum was suggested.

Pam V discussed the need for senior centers.

Aissata C. suggested finding activities that create more interaction between different age groups.

## **2. Discussion of Intro.0664-2018 and Intro.0601-2018, regarding affordable housing and Intro.0716-2018, regarding sexual harassment**

Intro.0664 was amended by the City Council. HHR Committee will wait for these amendments before proceeding.

Intro. 0601 was discussed by Claude W., stating that this bill would increase transparency around the affordable housing process.

Pam V and Aaron H expressed concern about many terms within this bill not being clear to the average person.

Aissata C. suggested we research this bill further.

Intro. 0716

Also being introduced to increase transparency around affordable housing. Claude W suggested this is a good idea, but that many of the units referenced are about to age out of the system. Suggested more research needed to be done about exactly how many units this would impact.

### **3. Discussion of a potential Freeze Your Rent (SCRIE and DRIE) Workshop/Forum**

The purpose is to raise awareness of this (under utilized) program. A discussion was had regarding publicizing this event, and any possible funding for that purpose.

Discussion was had to not calling it a workshop to avoid confusion.

### **4. Report from Committee Member Aaron Humphrey on Affordable Housing**

Aaron H gave a report explaining the reason behind Intro 1015, recently passed into law.

Claude W mentioned that together with information that will come out through 1015, we can

cross reference local affordable housing information with a report generated by the office of

Brad Lander, "Inclusionary Zoning in New York City, The performance of New York City's

Designated Areas Inclusionary Housing Program since its launch in 2005". Aaron will continue

his research and will reach out to Ben Kallos' office for additional support/information.

### **5. Chair's Report**

Waived

### **6. Old/New Business**

Claude W gives out copies of "Improve accountability, oversight, and enforcement in the City Environmental Quality Review Process" to further encourage the committee members to research school seat impact under CEQR.

### **Adjournment**

Claude Winfield made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Pam Vassil and passed. Aissata Camara declared the meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM

Minutes Submitted by: Carin van der Donk