

**CITY OF NORWALK  
FAIR HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 18, 2016**

**ATTENDANCE:** Reverend Jeffrey Ingraham, Chair; Carol Frank, Jaylin Sead,  
Daisy Franklin, Deidra Davis (3:15 p.m.)

**STAFF:** Atty. Margaret Suib, Fair Housing Officer

**CALL TO ORDER.**

Rev Ingraham called the meeting to order at 3:07 p.m. A quorum was present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**June 20, 2016**

**\*\* COMMISSIONER FRANKLIN MOVED THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 20, 2016 INFORMAL MEETING.**

**\*\* COMMISSIONER FRANK SECONDED.**

**\*\* THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 20, 2016 INFORMAL MEETING PASSED WITH THREE IN FAVOR (INGRAHAM, SEAD, AND FRANKLIN) AND ONE ABSTENTION (FRANK) .**

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD.**

No one from the public was present.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Discussion Regarding FY 2016/17 Budget**

Atty. Suib reviewed the details of the budget and said that the Commission had been allocated approximately \$8,000 for the testing program. Discussion followed about how the funds will be used.

*Commissioner Davis joined the meeting at 3:15 p.m.*

Atty. Suib said that she had spoken with Ms. Erin Kemple at the Fair Housing Center regarding testing. She said the documents spoke about rental properties. She explained that Mr. Sheehan had claimed that Sandusky, Ohio had done the testing. Atty. Suib said that she had looked into Sandusky's test and discovered that the town had sent out an RFP for \$10,000.

Commissioner Frank asked whether it would be better to have an intern from NCC to help handle the administrative tasks. Discussion followed.

Atty. Suib said that she would check with the Center about what kind of testing could be done for \$8,000 and would also like to look into the possibility of an intern.

#### **Update Regarding 35-65 Housing Panel/Mayor's Advisory Committee on Housing**

Atty. Suib said that the group had met twice and Mr. Alan Mathis had been elected as Chairman. Atty. Suib said that she had been in touch with Ms. Betsy Crumb to set up a meeting. Commissioner Frank said that she had been told she was supposed to be part of the Committee but had never been notified. Atty. Suib said that she would check into this.

#### **Update Regarding Fair Housing/NAACP Showing of Movie " Survival of A Small City" on July 19th, South Norwalk Branch Library**

The discussion then moved to the details of upcoming showing of the film "Survival of A Small City". Atty. Suib said that former Mayor Bill Collins, who was Mayor at the time of the project and also in the movie, would be in attendance.

#### **TOD Planning And Approval Time Line**

Atty. Suib said that the TOD plan was moving forward rapidly. Concerns were expressed that the low income residents of the area would be displaced. Commissioner Davis expressed concern that the residents would be relocated and then have to get back on a waiting list to get back into the project.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**\*\* COMMISSIONER SEAD MOVED TO ADJOURN.**

**\*\* COMMISSIONER FRANKLIN SECONDED.**

**\*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

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