



Wake County

301 South McDowell Street
Raleigh, NC

Meeting Minutes Board of Commissioners

Monday, February 22, 2021

1:30 PM

Wake County Justice Center

Affordable Housing Committee

Affordable Housing Committee Meeting Materials

Meeting Called to Order: Committee Chair Vickie Adamson

Commissioner West shared the history of the Affordable Housing program.

Ms. Lorena McDowell, Housing Affordability and Community Revitalization Director, shared the recapping the comprehensive, 20-year plan.

She shared the affordable housing plan high priority tools.

She share a slide of the \$75 million investment.

She shared the housing department goal and core principals.

She shared the affordable housing plan timeline.

She shared the housing plan implementation.

She shared the 2019 implementation.

She shared the 2020 implementation.

She shared the 2021 progressing slide.

She shared the 2022 projection.

She shared the 2023 projection.

She shared the high priority tools progress.

She shared the affordable housing plan recommendation status slide.

She shared the important considerations.

Commissioner Thomas asked what is the formula for affordability.

Ms. McDowell shared that the formula is 30 percent of a families income.

Commissioner West shared comments on vulnerable communities as it relates affordability.

Commissioner Evans shared comments from a TJCOG meeting on housing.

Commissioner Hutchinson shared that land use will be critical in the development of housing.

Ms. McDowell shared comments on the outreach plans as it relates to land use. She shared that she and the housing staff met with the towns and talked about the housing plans.

Commissioner Hutchinson shared comments on single layer family districts.

Ms. McDowell shared comments on the single layer family districts and how the creation of space should be afforded to all residents using gentle

density.

Commissioner Adamson asked about the quantity of the housing stock.

Ms. McDowell shared that at the inception of COVID-19, there were 36,000?

Commissioner West shared comments on Hope VI and asked if there was a possibility of refunding with HOPE VI through the housing authority.

Ms. McDowell shared comments on the funding that HOPE VI created for housing.

Ms. McDowell shared the number for House Wake Access Hub: 919-443-0096.

She shared House Wake.

She shared Wake County CARES allocations.

She shared House Wake! - Phase I.

She shared House Wake!- Phase II.

She shared House Wake!- Phase II Program highlights.

She shared House Wake!-Phase III.

Commissioner Adamson shared comments about housing evictions.

Ms. McDowell shared that residents should call the number for House Wake for assistance.

She shared a Hotels 2 Housing slide.

She shared the introduction to H2H.

She shared the site operation.

She shared the other partnerships.

She shared the total cost slide.

She shared the outcomes.

She shared the considerations for continuing hotel programs.

She shared the leadership contact information.

Commissioner's West and Hutchinson shared thoughts on having partnerships.

Commissioner Hutchinson shared comments on guaranteed income.

Ms. McDowell shared feedback on increased income.

Commissioner Evans shared comments on adequate housing.

There was conversation on density, supply and demand and the vacancy rate.

Commissioner Calabria shared comments on working with municipalities on solutions of how to get to the next level.

Commissioner Thomas shared comments on partnering with municipalities.

Commissioner Adamson asked if small house communities are apart of the discussions.

Ms. McDowell shared that the conversations about tiny homes have been discussed in meetings.

Commissioner Adamson asked if Habitat was a part of the plan. Ms.

McDowell shared that Habitat is apart of the conversation.

Ms. Alicia Arnold, ?????, shared comments on the partnership with Habitat.

Ms. McDowell shared comments on the homeless population, entry and the gap of poverty. She shared comments on available resources and evaluations.

Manager Ellis shared that the county has to address the excess and the balance in affordable housing.

Ms. McDowell shared comments on the strategic plan for the southeast coast for housing.

She shared that there are statewide housing calls across the region.

**Vice-Chair Adamson moved, seconded by Commissioner Thomas,
Meeting Called to Order: Committee Chair Vickie Adamson The motion
carried by the following vote:**

Aye: 3 - Vice-Chair Adamson, Commissioner West, and
Commissioner Thomas

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Cervania

Recused: 3 - Chair Calabria, Commissioner Evans, and Commissioner
Hutchinson

1. Agenda

Attachments: [2-22-21 Affordable Housing Committee Agenda FINAL.pdf](#)

2. Affordable Housing: Progress and Updates

Attachments: [Final Affordable Housing Committee Presentation 2-22-21.pdf](#)
 [Executive Summary Wake County Affordable Housing Plan.pdf](#)

Meeting went into Recess

Meeting Reconvened

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 pm.

Adjourn

Rollcall

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Present: 4 - Vice-Chair Vickie Adamson, Commissioner Susan Evans,
 Commissioner James West, and Commissioner Shinica
 Thomas

Excused: 3 - Chair Matt Calabria, Commissioner Maria Cervania, and
 Commissioner Sig Hutchinson