

**PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

BOARD APPOINTMENT SUMMARY

Meeting Date: July 10, 2018

Department: Department of Housing and Economic Sustainability

Advisory Board: Commission on Affordable Housing

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion & Title: Staff recommends motion to approve: appointment of the following individuals to the Commission on Affordable Housing (CAH), for the July 1, 2018, to June 30, 2021, term.

Appoint: Leonard Tylka	Nominated By: Vice Mayor Mack Bernard Commissioner Steven Abrams	Commissioner Hal R. Valeche
Miguel Jose´ Muniz	Vice Mayor Mack Bernard Commissioner Paulette Burdick	Commissioner Hal R. Valeche Commissioner Steven Abrams
Laurel Robinson	Commissioner Hal R. Valeche Commissioner Steven Abrams	Commissioner Paulette Burdick
Ezra M. Krieg	Vice Mayor Mack Bernard Commissioner Paulette Burdick	Commissioner Hal R. Valeche Commissioner Steven Abrams
Joseph E. Gray	Vice Mayor Mack Bernard Commissioner Paulette Burdick	Commissioner Hal R. Valeche Commissioner Steven Abrams
Corey W. O’Gorman	Vice Mayor Mack Bernard Commissioner Paulette Burdick	Commissioner Hal R. Valeche Commissioner Steven Abrams
Gail Williams	Vice Mayor Mack Bernard Commissioner Paulette Burdick	Commissioner Hal R. Valeche Commissioner Steven Abrams
James T. Houston	Mayor Melissa McKinlay	
George A. Campbell	Mayor Melissa McKinlay	

Summary: F.S. 420.9076 requires that Palm Beach County appoint the members of an Affordable Housing Advisory Committee as a condition of receiving State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Program funding from the Florida Housing Finance Corporation. The County established the CAH in 1993 through adoption of the Affordable Housing Ordinance (No. 93-8). The CAH functioned until 2011 when it became inactive due to resignations and subsequent difficulty recruiting members due to concerns regarding conflicts of interest. On May 17, 2017, the Board adopted a new Affordable Housing Ordinance (No. 2017-017) that included changes to the responsibilities of the CAH that have alleviated prior conflict of interest concerns. In accordance with F.S. 420.9076 and the Palm Beach County Affordable Housing Ordinance (No. 2017-017), the CAH will function to review local affordable housing policies and incentive strategies, and to provide recommendations to the County regarding the same. **(Continued on Page 2)**

Background and Justification: (Continued on Page 2)

Attachment(s):

1. Palm Beach County Affordable Housing Ordinance No. (2017-017)
2. Boards/Committees Applications with Resumes

Recommended by: 
Department Director

6/26/18
Date

Legal Sufficiency: 
Assistant County Attorney

7/3/18
Date

REVIEW COMMENTS

A. Other Department Review:

Department Director

Summary: (continued from Page 1)

F.S. 420.9076 calls for a minimum of eight (8) and a maximum of 11 members representing various subjects related to affordable housing. At this time, staff recommends the appointment of the above nine (9) individuals. Vacant seats remaining include: a representative of essential services personnel and a representative who actively serves on the local planning agency pursuant to F.S. 163.3174.

Ezra M. Krieg of Gulfstream Goodwill Industries, Inc., and Corey W. O’Gorman of PLACE Planning and Design, Inc., and James T. Houston of Houston Realty have disclosed their employers’ existing contracts with the County. Staff has evaluated these contractual relationships and determined that the CAH provides no regulation, oversight, management or policy-setting recommendations regarding any of the disclosed contractual relationships. Disclosure of these contractual relationships at a duly noticed public meeting is being provided in accordance with the provisions of Section 2-443 of the Palm Beach County Code of Ethics.

A diversity count of the nine (9) representatives recommended for appointment by the BCC demonstrates a racial/ethnic breakdown as follows: Caucasian: 5 (56%); African-American: 3 (33%); and Hispanic-American: 1 (11%). The gender ratio (female:male) is 2:7. Countywide (JB)

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Funding for the SHIP Program was created by the Florida Legislature’s passage of the 1992 William E. Sadowski Affordable Housing Act. The Florida Housing Finance Corporation provides SHIP to local governments as an incentive to create and preserve affordable homeownership and multifamily housing. Palm Beach County is eligible to receive an annual formula-based allocation of SHIP funds, and uses SHIP to undertake affordable housing strategies set forth in the Local Housing Assistance Plan.