

Asheville Affordable Housing Advisory Committee
May 3, 2012
Meeting Notes

Attending: Scott Dedman, Lindsey Simerly, Allison Bond. Jeff Staudinger, Randy Stallings, Marvin Feinblatt, Rachel Wintenburg, Shannon Tuch, Barber Melton, Jay Gurney.

Introducti ons: Lindsey Simerly, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order.

Updates:

Jeff Staudinger reported that City Council is making the Housing Trust Fund a priority for the budget; the proposed HTF allocation for this year is \$500,000.

Randy Stallings announced that the CNT presentation will take place tomorrow, May 5th. The CNT presentation will reveal research on location-efficient development opportunities in Asheville and surrounding communities.

Jeff Staudinger reported on the GroWNC process, which looks at development on a broad basis, but also includes affordable housing as a focus. Workgroups were established, and their goals and plans will be going before the public in a series of Reality Checks. These Reality Checks provide an opportunity for public comment. The Asheville location will be at Wesley Grant Center.

Review and Discussion:

Jeff Staudinger led a discussion of several more of the Task Force Recommendations, including numbers 20, 21, and 22. The Committee had already discussed number 20, but brought it back into discussion. Also, they agreed to discuss number 21 at the June meeting when Robert Griffin could be available to join in the discussion. The Committee agreed with and had no further comments on the recommendations.

Upcoming Meetings Topics:

Lindsey Simerly suggested the Committee discuss definitions it would like to use for "Affordable Housing" and "Workforce Housing Rent."