

**COMMUNITY HOUSING TASK FORCE
MEETING
October 28, 2003**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Joe Udall
Carie Allen
Jim Davidson
Linda Flick
Jack Hannon
Teresa Brice-Heames
Greg Holtz
Sean Lake (Excused)
John Poulsen
Jeff Rogers
Maynard Schneck
Marty Whalen
Stephanie Wright

STAFF

Hershel Lipow, Dennison & Associates
Kit Kelly, Community Revitalization
Ruth Anne Norris, Housing Services
Donna Hunter, Housing Services
Bryan Raines, Neighborhood Services
Lisa Wilson, Neighborhood Services
Deanna Villeneuve-Saucedo, Outreach

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Joe Udall welcomed those in attendance. He thanked the Community Housing Task Force members and staff for their time and stated how proud he felt about the completed Housing Master Plan document.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR JUNE

The minutes of September 23, 2003 were approved unanimously.

OVERVIEW OF COMMENTS RECEIVED

Kathleen Kelly informed the group that the final draft of the Housing Master Plan was presented in an open house and to various City of Mesa boards and groups. They were given the opportunity to provide feedback regarding the plan. Mayor Hawker also provided feedback for the plan. The plan received positive feedback and consideration.

INTEGRATION OF COMMENTS INTO THE HOUSING MASTER PLAN

There were some minor technical errors, which were to be corrected. Additionally, there would be further explanations given in areas of the plan that seemed vague.

The Community Housing Task Force discussed incorporating language that has a regional approach to affordable housing. All members supported this and the motion passed unanimously.

Hershel Lipow stated that the executive summary would have a few changes in the appropriate sections but will be completed in the next several weeks.

The staff is scheduling a housing tour of Phoenix for the Mayor and City Council in December. Members of the Task Force could accompany the group but seating is limited. On December 15, 2003 the Housing Master Plan will be presented to City Council for approval.

DISCUSSION & APPROVAL OF FINAL DRAFT

The Community Housing Task Force members agreed that the document was successful and included a balanced housing plan for the City of Mesa. Mr. Lipow felt the plan covered the entire spectrum of housing. He also commented that a good quality of life attracts people to an area. Mesa needs to advocate a good quality of life to attract people in the upper and middle-income ranges.

Mr. Udall asked for a motion to approve the draft with the changes that were discussed. Marty Whalen made the motion to approve the draft. Teresa Brice-Heames seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

WRAPUP

Mr. Udall thanked the Community Housing Task Force for completing their objective and the effort and willingness that it took to cooperate. Mr. Lipow and Ms. Kelly also thanked the group. The meeting adjourned at 7:07 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ruth Anne Norris, Housing Services