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REPORT

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ITEM 102

REPORT NO: HCR03-009
For the Agenda of January 31, 2003

SUBJECT: Two Appointments to the Board of Directors of Housing Development Partners of San Diego (Citywide)

SUMMARY

Issue: Should the Housing Commission approve the recommendation of the Chair and appoint Commissioners Sal Salas and Tony Yip, to serve on the Board of Directors of Housing Development Partners?

Recommendation: Adopt the recommendation of the Chair to appoint Commissioners Sal Salas and Tony Yip to fill the Commissioner-Board Member positions on the Board of Housing Development Partners.

Fiscal Impact: None with this action.

Previous Related Action: These vacancies were created by the departure of Commissioners Neal Arthur and Tom Steinke, who were appointed to the Board of Directors on August 10, 1998 (HCR98-094).

BACKGROUND

On March 19, 1990, the Housing Commission authorized the establishment of a nonprofit housing corporation, Housing Development Partners (HDP), formerly San Diego Housing Development Corporation. The mission of HDP is to “preserve and increase affordable housing opportunities for low- and moderate-income residents in the City of San Diego, and pursue opportunities by either collaborating with other affordable housing providers in the community or by serving a unique niche not being met by other housing organizations.”



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HDP's initial activities were to identify and seek preservation of expiring HUD properties. The organization also developed and owns the 54-unit Knox Glen Townhomes, the 27-unit Mason Hotel, and is Co-General Partner of Island Village, a 280 living-unit development currently under construction. The corporation is presently partnering with for-profit and non-profit housing developers and owners to facilitate the development of additional units of affordable housing throughout the city.

According to the Bylaws, at Section 4.02(b)(1), the seven-member Board of Directors is appointed as follows: two Board Members are selected from among the Commissioners of the San Diego Housing Commission; one Board Member is the Chief Executive Officer of the Housing Commission and serves as President of the organization; the remaining four Board Members are "at-large residents" of the City of San Diego, as designated by the Housing Commission.

The two Commissioner-Board Member positions have been vacated. The present Board Members are as follows:

Elizabeth Morris Chief Executive Officer, Housing Commission	President
Lynda Buckner California Bank & Trust	Secretary (at-large resident)
Tom Carter Carter Reese and Associates	Board Member (at-large resident)
Robert Henderson Trans West Housing, Inc.	Board Member (at-large resident)
John Pedroarena CB Commercial	Board Member (at-large resident)

DISCUSSION

Housing Development Partners Board meetings are held on a quarterly basis, with special meetings scheduled as required. The term of a Commissioner-Board Member expires at the time such person no longer holds his/her position as a Commissioner. The At-Large Board Members serve for a term of two years, and the terms are staggered. In the past, recommendations for appointment have been made by the Chair of the Housing Commission, and adopted by the Housing Commission Board.

Commissioners Salas and Yip have volunteered to serve as Board Members. Their professional experience will add depth and expertise to the nonprofit's activities. The appointment of new Board Members is needed at this time to complete the membership and allow the Board of Directors to continue to conduct business without interruption. The nominees' resumes are included in Attachment 1.

ALTERNATIVE

Do not appoint the new Board Members at this time. This is not recommended because it will be difficult to establish a quorum to conduct business.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved by,

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Attachment: 1. Resumes of Salvador Salas and Tony Yip