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# MINUTES OF THE HOUSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY SPECIAL BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2025

## I. CALL TO ORDER

A Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners ("Board") of the Houston Housing Authority ("HHA") was held on Thursday, February 13, 2025, at the Houston Housing Authority Central Office, 2640 Fountain View Drive, Houston, Texas 77057.

Chairman Proler: Before I formally call the meeting to order, I want to again welcome Jamie Bryant and ask him to share with each of you, as well as the Board members, about his first four days here at the HHA.

Jamie Bryant: Thank you, Chairman Proler. I didn't get a chance to say any words at the last meeting so I just want to say thank you to you and each of our commissioners for your vote and support. Thank you to everybody in the community for their trust, and to my wife, who might be watching, thank you for letting me jump into government.

I'm sitting here today, one week after the board voted to appoint me as the new President and CEO and I have to tell you, I'm more excited today than even last week to be a part of this agency and to be doing the work with these great people. I have spent the last week getting to know lots of folks here at both the HHA as well as spending time in the community with some of our residents, our constituents, and some of our council members and just really getting to see the good work that the HHA is involved in and the passion of a lot of these folks.

I'm very excited that the Board and the public have given me their trust, and I promise we're going to continue to do a good job, continue to push this agency forward, and do the best we can for the residents and taxpayers of Houston. So, thank you, Chairman Proler. I appreciate the opportunity.

Chairman Proler: I call the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

## II. ROLL CALL

#### Present:

- Joseph "Jody" Proler, Chairman
- Alton Smith, Vice Chairman
- Cynthia Aceves-Lewis, Commissioner, 3:03pm arrival

**ABSENCES:** Kristy Kirkendoll, Commissioner

- Stephanie A.G. Ballard, Commissioner
- Eric G. Carter, Commissioner
- Kenneth C. Li, Commissioner
- Jennine Hovell-Cox., Secretary

#### III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

a. Board Meeting Minutes: December 17, 2024

On motion by Commissioner Li and seconded by Commissioner Ballard, the Board unanimously approved the December 17, 2024, Meeting Minutes.

#### IV. INTRODUCTION OF THE INTERPRETERS

No Interpreters

## V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No Public Comments were made.

## VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Proler suspended the Public Session on Thursday, February 13, 2025, at 3:02 p.m. to convene an Executive Session to discuss:

 Personnel matters, including whether to name Jamie Bryant a finalist for the position of President and Chief Executive Officer and authorize the Board Chair to negotiate and execute an employment agreement under Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code.

## VII. RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION

Chairman Proler: The Public Session is being reconvened at 3:55 p.m. to take action on Executive Session items.

### VIII. NEW BUSINESS

**a. Resolution No. 3860:** Consideration and/or take action to approve an employment agreement with Jamie Bryant to serve as the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Houston Housing Authority

Chairman Proler: Resolution No. 3860 reads, That the Houston Housing Authority Board of Commissioners approve an employment agreement with Jamie Bryant to serve as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Houston Housing Authority pursuant to the memorandum from the Board Chair, dated February 10, 2025, to the Houston Housing Authority Board of Commissioners.

On motion by Commissioner Ballard and seconded by Commissioner Aceves-Lewis, the Board unanimously approved Resolution No. 3860.

#### IX. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Proler asked for a motion to adjourn.

On motion by Commissioner Carter and seconded by Commissioner Li.

Chairman Proler declared the meeting adjourned at 3:58 p.m.