



DRAFT MINUTES
HOUSING COMMISSION
Thursday, October 23, 2025

At 5:30 p.m. Chair Connie Cunningham called the Regular Housing Commission meeting to order at the Quinlan Conference Room, 10185 North Stelling Road, and via teleconference.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Connie Cunningham, Vice Chair Usha Narayan, and Commissioners Lida Xhindi, Ram Sripathi (arrived at 5:32 p.m.), and Jasmine Jose (arrived at 5:38 p.m.). Absent: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Subject: Approve the minutes of the September 25, 2025 Housing Commission Meeting.
Recommended Action: Approve the minutes of the September 25, 2025 Housing Commission Meeting.

MOTION: Narayan moved and Xhindi seconded to approve the September 25, 2025 Housing Commission Meeting Minutes. The motion passed with the following vote:
Ayes: Cunningham, Narayan, Sripathi, Xhindi. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Jose.

POSTPONEMENTS – None.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

San Rao congratulated Commissioner Sripathi on his appointment as Housing Commissioner and expressed pride on behalf of the Indian American community in Cupertino. He emphasized that it is encouraging to see another capable and distinguished community member in such a role. Rao expressed hope that the Commission will represent all Cupertino residents fairly and ensure their interests are heard, concluding by wishing him success in his new position.

CONSENT CALENDAR – None.

OLD BUSINESS – None.

NEW BUSINESS

2. Subject: Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 Housing Funding Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) and Request For Proposals (RFP) (Attachment A)
Recommended Action: Receive informational presentation on the FY 26-27 Housing Funding NOFA

Senior Housing Coordinator Nicky Vu gave a presentation.

Commissioners asked questions which staff responded to.

Chair Cunningham opened the public comment period, and seeing no one, closed the public comment period.

The Commission received the presentation.

MOTION: Narayan moved and Jose seconded to close the item. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes: Cunningham, Narayan, Jose, Sripathi, Xhindi. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

3. Subject: Request for Proposals (RFP) for consultant for the City's Below Market Rate (BMR) Housing Program Administration.
Recommended Action: Receive informational presentation on the BMR Administration RFP.

Senior Housing Coordinator Nicky Vu gave a presentation.

Commissioners asked questions, which staff responded to.

Chair Cunningham opened the public comment period, and seeing no one, closed the public comment period.

The Commission received the presentation.

MOTION: Jose moved and Sripathi seconded to close the item. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes: Cunningham, Narayan, Jose, Sripathi, Xhindi. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

STAFF AND COMMISSION REPORTS –

Senior Housing Coordinator Nicky Vu introduced Assistant Housing Coordinator Evelin Meza.

Chair Cunningham announced the Commissioner's Dinner and CREST awards, to be held October 29.

FUTURE AGENDA SETTING –

Commissioners added the following future agenda items.

The Housing Commission recommend that the City Council allocate local funds to offset or replace the potential loss of federal funding. (Cunningham)

Increase funding for Project Sentinel. (Cunningham)

Raise awareness of tenant protections and services. (Cunningham)

Amend the Housing Commission Charter to ensure a renter is permanently included on the commission. (Cunningham)

Increase Commissioner familiarity with the Housing Element. (Cunningham)

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:40 p.m. Chair Cunningham adjourned the regular Housing Commission Meeting.

Minutes prepared by:

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