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# 2nd Story Associates

## **MINUTES**

2nd Story Associates 706 Laguna Street, Santa Barbara CA 93101

# **Zoom Meeting**

2:00 P.M. - Monday, June 8th, 2020

I. Call to Order/Roll Call: 2:00 PM

Board Members Present: Skip Szymanski, Veronica Loza, Rob Fredericks, Zahra Nahar-Moore (left meeting at

2:30pm), Annmarie Cameron (left meeting at 3:00pm), Gary Linker, Laurel Sykes

(arrived at 2:20pm)

**QUORUM MET** 

Board Members Absent: Kathleen Baushke

Others Present: Alice Villarreal Redit, Celia Wright

II. Public Comment: Public comment period open. No comments.

#### III. Consideration of Minutes

1. **Subject:** Minutes of the March 9, 2020 Regular Board Meeting

**Recommendation:** That the Board approve Minutes of the Regular Board meeting of March 9, 2020.

MOTION: M/S Fredericks/Loza

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

#### IV. Financial Report

Subject: Financials for the Quarter ended March 31, 2020
 Recommendation: That the Board review and order filed 2nd Story Associates financials for the Quarter

ended March 31, 2020.

Skip Szymanski presented financials and noted the organization is in good position.

MOTION: M/S Fredericks/Cameron

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

2. **Subject:** Review of Grant Fund Balances (strike Balance Sheet) as of March 31, 2020. **Recommendation:** That the Board receive an update on the balances of 2nd Story grants.

Skip Szymanski presented the Grant Fund Balances. No action.

#### V. Communications

1. Subject: Women's Fund Grant Communication

**Recommendation:** That the Board receive communication on the Women's Fund 2019-2020 award ceremony and \$100,000 Senior Services Support Program grant

Alice explained grant funding to be used for one part time care manager and one part time LCSW through the Neighborhood Clinics to support seniors served by the Housing Authority.

2. **Subject:** Grace Housing Inc. Communication

**Recommendation:** That the Board receive communication on the Grace Housing Inc. award ceremony and \$12,000 Grace Village Legacy grant and \$10,000 Emergency Assistance Program grant.

Skip explained that \$12,000 funding to help residents at Grace Village is not needed, so that funding will be set aside for a future development. The \$10,000 Emergency Assistance Fund helps individuals and families who are low income. Funding recently went to help a client move. No action necessary.

### VI. Old Business

1. **Subject:** Grants and Programs Update

**Recommendation**: That the Board receive an oral report on 2nd Story programs and grants.

Alice will be submitting a grant application for the annual Tools for School event once the application is received from Union Bank. Funding will be used gift cards for clothing and good. A grant application was submitted to the COVID-19 Joint Response Grant on behalf of HACSB clients with the greatest need, with a focus on prorated families, to assist with rent and utility payments.

2. **Subject:** Gardens on Hope Apartments

**Recommendation:** That the Board receive an oral report on the status of the construction of The Gardens on Hope.

Rob commented that the construction is finished, and residents have been moving in on a measured basis due to COVID-19. A video was created to promote The Gardens on Hope. There are currently 42 applicants who have pending eligibility for both The Gardens on Hope and Garden Court.

3. **Subject:** Review and Update 2nd Story Associate's Mission and Vision statement **Recommendation:** That the Board approve the amended mission statement and vision statement.

The Board decided that additional revisions would be necessary. Ad-Hoc committee to revise with recommended changes and return with new proposals. No motion, action deferred.

4. Subject: Grace Housing Inc. Emergency Assistance Fund

**Recommendation:** That the Board approve the transfer of the formerly designated HACSB Emergency Assistance Fund of \$2500 into the existing Grace Emergency Assistance Fund.

Transfer of funds was presented. A discussion was had proposing the Grace Emergency Assistance funding be used solely for HACSB clients so necessity and income can be verified. Annmarie suggested language be added stating "generally help HACSB clients" so that it does not hinder from helping others. This discussion to be continued.

#### VI. New Business

1. **Subject:** Review and update 2<sup>nd</sup> Story Bylaws

**Recommendation:** That the Board review and approve the amended 2<sup>nd</sup> Story Associate's bylaws.

Rob and Celia reviewed the changes made to the bylaws, noting the areas that had been altered, such as the primary source of communication being changed to email. Board in agreement that the updates were good.

MOTION: M/S Cameron/Linker

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

2. **Subject:** Carrillo/Castillo commuter parking lot

**Recommendation**: That the Board approve a partnership to build new development at the Carrillo/Castillo Street community parking lot.

Skip discussed new development proposal and the MOU with the City of Santa Barbara. Noted there is a private party investor that wants to house middle income earners. Also discussed partnership with 2<sup>nd</sup> Story Associates for Presidio Springs 2.0. Annmarie wants further discussion on what roles the partner would play.

MOTION: M/S Loza/Fredericks

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

3. Subject: Hot Meals Program

**Recommendation:** That the Board provide additional funding for The Center for Successful Aging's hot meals program for seniors.

Gary discussed a grant he received to provide hot meals for 100 people. He stated that he received 150 applications. He requested that 2<sup>nd</sup> Story to provide the additional funding for the additional applicants. Stated that over half of the requests came from HACSB clients, and that he would like to prioritize the homeless, newly housed, and Section 8 clients. Skip requested Gary forward the grant to Alice. No action at this time.

1. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:11pm.

Minutes Reviewed and Approved:

| Skip Szymanski (Sep 15, 2020 07:35 PDT) | Skip Szymanski, President | Date