



**FINAL MINUTES**  
CITY OF SEASIDE  
HOMELESS COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING  
Council Chamber  
Wednesday, March 5, 2025  
5:30 PM

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Strickland called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM

**2. ROLL CALL - HOMELESS COMMISSION**

PRESENT: Strickland, Cunningham, Hughes  
ABSENT: Muga, Ruffin

**3. REVIEW OF AGENDA**

None

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A. APPROVE MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 5, 2025, REGULAR MEETING**

*On motion by Commissioner Cunningham and second by Commissioner Strickland and carried by the following roll call vote, the Homeless Commission moved to approve the minutes for the February 5, 2025 Regular meeting.*

*RESULT: 3-0-0-2*

*AYES: Strickland, Cunningham, Hughes*

*NOES: None*

*ABSTAIN: None*

*ABSENT: Muga, Ruffin*

***ACTION: Passed***

**6. BUSINESS ITEMS**

**A. DISCUSS FEASIBILITY OF CHANGING THE NAME OF THE SEASIDE HOMELESS COMMISSION**

The commission discussed the potential name change and the approval process. They decided to table the agenda item until the April meeting to ensure all commissioners could attend.

**PUBLIC COMMENT: None**

*On motion by Commissioner Cunningham and second by Commissioner Hughes and carried by the following roll call vote, the Homeless Commission moved to table the agenda item for April regular meeting with all commissioners to be present.*

*RESULT: 3-0-0-2*

*AYES: Strickland, Cunningham, Hughes*

*NOES: None*

*ABSTAIN: NONE*

*ABSENT: Muga, Ruffin*

***ACTION: Passed***

**B. DISCUSS DEVELOPMENT OF COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIP WITH CITY OF SEASIDE NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION**

The commission discussed a potential collaboration with the NIC, reviewing previous discussions on the topic. They decided to table the agenda item until April regular meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT: None**

*On motion by Commissioner Hughes and second by Commissioner Cunningham and carried by the following roll call vote, the Homeless Commission moved to table the agenda item for the April regular meeting.*

*RESULT: 3-0-0-2*

*AYES: Strickland, Cunningham, Hughes*

*NOES: None*

*ABSTAIN: None*

*ABSENT: Muga, Ruffin*

***ACTION: Passed***

**C. REVIEW FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 HOMELESS COMMISSION WORK PLAN AND IDENTIFY CHANGES FOR DEVELOPMENT OF FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026 HOMELESS COMMISSION WORK PLAN**

The commission discussed reviewing its general duties to ensure they align with its current activities and capabilities. They discussed the desire to focus on

achievable goals and ensure the commission work is effective. The commission aims to improve communication and collaboration with the city and county regarding homelessness initiatives. They want to better understand existing programs, ordinances, and policies related to homelessness.

**PUBLIC COMMENT: None**

*On motion by Commissioner Cunningham and second by Commissioner Hughes and carried by the following roll call vote, the Homeless Commission moved to accepting the changes made and would like to review it in the April regular meeting.*

*RESULT: 3-0-0-2*

*AYES: Strickland, Cunningham, Hughes*

*NOES: None*

*ABSTAIN: None*

*ABSENT: Mugan, Ruffin*

***ACTION: Passed***

**7. REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS**

Commissioners provided reports.

**Commissioner Cunningham:** It was made clear that strengthening the relationship between Seaside and the county is a priority, no matter what decision is reached on the 'Lead Me Home' project

**Commissioner Strickland:** Reminded commissioners the deadline for submitting Form 700 is approaching. Submissions can be completed online or can be sent to Derrick. I will initiate contact with 'Breakthrough for Men,' a local organization, to explore collaborative opportunities, particularly regarding the single homeless male population. Furthermore, I propose including a high school student on the commission to enhance youth engagement. Finally, I recommend the book 'Getting Things Done: The Art of Stress-Free Productivity' by Dr. David Allen for the commission's consideration

**8. REPORTS FROM STAFF**

Staff provided report.

**Derrick:** Commissioners were reminded of the Form 700 and the mandatory two-hour ethics training. For virtual participation and voting eligibility in meeting where a commissioner is absent, the commissioner must provide their physical address in advance and ensure the meeting agenda is publicly accessible at that location during the meeting. The Family and Community Support Program will host a resource fair on Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, from 12PM to 3PM at Laguna Grand park. The Commission should consider an invite to Echo Housing, which provides mediation and advocacy

services for eviction and landlord-tenant disputes, to help prevent housing loss. Additionally, the commission should also invite CRLA, which offers free legal assistance to individuals facing eviction, particularly those unable to afford private counsel.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:22 PM

**Respectfully submitted,**



**Denise Mejia, Commission Clerk**



**Ben Strickland, Commission Chair**