



THRESHOLD
Lexington's Housing Commission
Wednesday, October 23, 2024 - 4:00 P.M
Second Floor Conference Room, City Hall
300 E. Washington Street, Lexington, VA

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Approval of Agenda**
- 3. Approval of Minutes**
 - A. Approval of September 25, 2024 minutes*
- 4. New Business**
 - A. Windshield Housing Survey update
 - B. Homeowner Helper program report
 - C. Scheduling for the remainder of 2024 – November 27th and December 25th
- 5. Adjournment**

*indicates attachment

MINUTES

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Wednesday, September 25, 2024 – 4:00 p.m.
Second Floor Conference Room, City Hall**

Threshold:

Present: Fred Kirchner, Vice-Chair
Nadine Craney
Marylin Alexander, Council Liaison
Nicholas Betts, Council Liaison

City Staff:

Arne Glaeser, Planning Director
Kate Beard, Administrative Assistant

Absent: Shadrey Sands, Chair

CALL TO ORDER:

Vice-Chair Kirchner called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

AGENDA

The agenda was unanimously approved as presented. (N. Betts / M. Alexander)

MINUTES:

The minutes from the July 24, 2024 meeting were unanimously approved as presented. (M. Alexander / N. Betts)

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. **Discussion of Regional Housing Study** – Director Glaeser reported that the study was still being finalized and had not yet been made public. He again pledged to share the study with the Commission as soon as it is available.

- B. **Discussion of underutilized properties list** – Director Glaeser reminded the Commission that staff had pledged to bring this list of vacant/substandard properties back to the Commission for review. He reported the list was shared with City Manager Carroll who has shown interest in looking into a more proactive approach to the enforcement of property maintenance. Mr. Carroll has requested that staff develop the list into a spreadsheet identifying issues specific to each of the properties, such as title issues, tax delinquency, vacancy, etc. Mr. Glaeser encouraged the Commissioners to forward the addresses of properties that should be included in the list and to share any known details about specific issues.

- C. **Review of Threshold webpage** – Having reviewed the contents of Threshold’s webpage, N. Betts suggested that the “About Threshold” section be placed more prominently, just above the identification of Threshold Commissioners. M. Alexander suggested that links be added for the regional housing study and the windshield study once the results of those studies are available. As someone who was interested in learning more about Threshold and considering applying to serve on the Commission, local resident Valerie Moliterno said she thought it would be helpful to have expectations and responsibilities better spelled out. There was then discussion of Threshold’s recent and possible future focus.

ADJOURN:

The meeting was adjourned at 4:49 p.m.

F. Kirchner, Vice-Chair
Threshold Housing Commission