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**Economic Development, Transportation, and Natural Resources Subcommittee**

**Thursday, September 12, 2019**

**10:00 a.m.**

**Blatt Room 110**

### **Archived Video Available**

- I. Pursuant to House Legislative Oversight Committee Rule 6.8, South Carolina ETV was allowed access for streaming the meeting. You may access an archived video of this meeting by visiting the South Carolina General Assembly's website (<http://www.scstatehouse.gov>) and clicking on *Committee Postings and Reports*, then under *House Standing Committees* click on *Legislative Oversight*. Then, click on *Video Archives* for a listing of archived videos for the Committee.

### **Attendance**

- I. The Economic Development, Transportation, and Natural Resources Subcommittee meeting was called to order by Chair William M. (Bill) Hixon on Thursday, September 12, 2019, in Room 110 of the Blatt Building. The following other members of the Subcommittee were present for either all or a portion of the meeting: Representative Mandy Powers Norrell and Representative Marvin R. Pendarvis.

### **Minutes**

- I. House Rule 4.5 requires standing committees to prepare and make available to the public the minutes of committee meetings, but the minutes do not have to be verbatim accounts of meetings. It is the practice of the Legislative Oversight Committee to provide minutes for its subcommittee meetings.

- II. After discussion of other matters, Representative Norrell moves to approve the minutes from the September 9, 2019, meeting. A roll call vote is held, and the motion passes.

<b>Rep. Norrell’s motion to approve the minutes from the September 9, 2019, meeting:</b>	Yea	Nay	Not Voting
Rep. Hewitt			✓ (absent)
Rep. Norrell	✓		
Rep. Pendarvis	✓		
Rep. Hixon	✓		

**Discussion of the State Housing Finance and Development Authority (SC Housing)**

- I. Chair Hixon swears in the following representatives of NHE, a multifamily property management and development company based in Greenville, SC:
  - a. Taylor Davis, President
  - b. Joseph Kass, Development Manager
- II. Mr. Davis and Mr. Kass provide brief comments about NHE’s experience with SC Housing and then answer questions from Subcommittee members.
- III. SC Housing Executive Director Bonita Shropshire and SC Housing Development Director Sara Martinez also respond to questions from Subcommittee members related to the testimony from Mr. Davis and Mr. Kass.
- IV. Director Shropshire provides opening comments and reviews the agency’s strategic plan, then answers questions from Subcommittee members.
- V. Chair Hixon moves that the Subcommittee recommend that when the agency’s strategic plan is finalized, it be approved by a vote of the Board of Commissioners. A roll call vote is held and the motion passes.

<b>Rep. Hixon’s motion that the Subcommittee recommend that when the agency’s strategic plan is finalized, it be approved by a vote of the Board of Commissioners:</b>	Yea	Nay	Not Voting
Rep. Hewitt			✓ (absent)
Rep. Norrell	✓		
Rep. Pendarvis	✓		
Rep. Hixon	✓		

- VI. Tracey Easton, SC Housing General Counsel, presents information about personnel statistics. Ms. Easton and Director Shropshire respond to questions from Subcommittee members.

- VII. John Tyler, SC Housing Director of Housing Initiatives and Innovation, presents information about the update to the agency's Qualified Allocation Plan for the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit program. Mr. Tyler, Director Shropshire, Ms. Martinez, and Dr. Bryan Grady, SC Housing Chief Research Officer, respond to questions from Subcommittee members.
- VIII. Dr. Grady presents information on the impact of SC Housing programs by county. Dr. Grady, Director Shropshire, Ms. Martinez, and Steve Clements, SC Housing Director of Home Ownership, respond to questions from Subcommittee members.
- IX. Chair Hixon announces that the Subcommittee has referred anonymous allegations it received about SC Housing to the Inspector General's Office for consideration.
- X. Chair Hixon, Representative Pendarvis, and SC Housing representatives tour the Veranda on North Main, an affordable housing development in Columbia. The tour is conducted by the following individuals:
  - a. Daryl Jones, Senior Vice President, Integral Group
  - b. Felicia Maloney, Executive Director, Columbia Empowerment Zone, Inc.
  - c. Tijuana Kelly, Assistant Property Manager, Integral Group
- XI. The meeting is adjourned.