

**Affordable Housing Advisory Committee  
St. Johns County, Florida  
Subcommittee Meeting**

September 11, 2024  
Minutes

The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) of St. Johns County met at 3:00 pm at the Health & Human Services Center, in the Muscovy Conference room, at 200 San Sebastian View, St. Augustine, Florida 32084.

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm by Chair, Alex Mansur.

**Members Present:**

Greg Burke – Residential home builder  
Orville Dothage – Banking/mortgage banking industry  
Alex Mansur - Citizen actively engaged in areas of labor in home building  
Harry Maxwell - Citizen actively engaged as a for-profit provider of affordable housing  
Judy Spiegel – Citizen actively serving on local planning agency  
Karl Vierck - Banking actively engaged as a real estate developer

**Members Absent:**

Roy Alaimo - Locally elected official  
Drew Geisel – St Johns County resident  
Bill Lazar – Citizen actively engaged as a not-for-profit provider of affordable housing  
Mike O’Donnell – HFA Chair/citizen actively engaged as an advocate for low-income persons

**Guests Present:**

Suzanne Clulow – St. Johns County resident  
Kristin Crane -  
Jenny Harvey - Manager, Housing and Community Development  
Michelle Myers - Support Staff, Housing & Community Development  
Patrick Park - Broker  
Vicki Pepper – St. Johns County resident

Notices regarding the meeting were sent to all members. No press was in attendance.

1. **Introduction of AHAC Members and SJC Staff:** Committee members and County staff were acknowledged, and a quorum was present.
2. **Annual Report:** A lengthy discussion ensued about the annual report. Committee members expressed what changes they would like to see in this year’s report, in addition to the numerous deletions they would like. The consensus was that the report was too lengthy, and the committee wanted to shorten the report, hoping to catch the attention of the County Commissioners. Karl Vierck and Orville Dothage would be making most of the changes and sending their drafts, individually, to Alex Mansur, for review. Alex Mansur will be bringing the draft to the regular scheduled meeting on September 18, 2024.

3. **Public Comment:** Vicki Pepper encouraged all members to attend the workshop on the Comprehensive Plan, September 30<sup>th</sup>. Suzanne Clulow expressed her desire to see affordable housing in St. Johns County. Ms. Clulow expressed the need for a PHA (Public Housing Authority) and encouraged the committee to speak about a PHA and the Live Local Act within the annual report. Patrick Park stated he wanted Broker's involved with the Down Payment Assistance program. Ms. Harvey spoke on how, at this time, there was a list of preferred lenders, and the department would not be adding brokers to the program, yet.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:11pm.