

# Brevard County Board of County Commissioners

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### **Legislation Text**

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#### Subject:

Approval, Re: Appointment to the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee

#### **Fiscal Impact:**

Staffing for the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee is funded through State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Program grant funds and equates to approximately \$2,600 per year (for direct Committee support). There will be no impact to the General Fund.

## **Dept/Office:**

**Housing and Human Services** 

#### **Requested Action:**

It is requested that the Board of County Commissioners:

- 1) review the three volunteers requesting to be appointed to the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee, and
- 2) select one for appointment.

## **Summary Explanation and Background:**

The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) is a state mandated board (Florida Statute 420.9076), which allows Brevard County to receive State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) funds. The AHAC makes recommendations to the Brevard County Board of County Commissioners on the allocation of funds from the state SHIP program, the Federal HOME Program, and other federal and state funds which allow the county discretion in the determination of housing priorities. Additionally, they review established policies and procedures, ordinances, land development regulations, and the adopted comprehensive plan of the county, in order to recommend specific actions or initiatives to encourage or facilitate affordable housing while protecting the ability of properties to appreciate in value.

The AHAC consists of members who represent specific categories, per the Statute. One of these categories is for a county resident who is actively engaged as an advocate for low-income persons in connection with affordable housing. The Department has solicited for members in multiple ways: four weeks through a local newspaper of general circulation and on the County Website.

The Department has received two new applications for membership (Ina Fritsch and Robert Klimkowski) and the current representative (Verdell Shackelford), who has represented the County as an advocate for low-income persons in connection with affordable housing since 2013, would like to continue as a member of the AHAC. If Ms. Shackelford is chosen to continue as a member, it will require a supermajority vote of the Board of County Commissioners to reappoint her.

The selected individual would be appointed to a 2-year term beginning July 1, 2022 per Brevard County Code

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of Ordinances Section 90-71 (b).

## **Clerk to the Board Instructions:**

None