



SAN DIEGO
HOUSING
COMMISSION

REPORT TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

DATE ISSUED: March 11, 2022

REPORT NO: HAR22-011

ATTENTION: Chair and Members of the Housing Authority of the City of San Diego
For the Agenda of March 15, 2022

SUBJECT: Appointment of an Interim President and Chief Executive Officer for the San Diego Housing Commission, Who Also Serves as the Interim Executive Director of the Housing Authority of the City of San Diego

COUNCIL DISTRICT: Citywide

REQUESTED ACTION

Approve the appointment of an Interim President & Chief Executive Officer for the San Diego Housing Commission, who also serves as the Interim Executive Director of the Housing Authority of the City of San Diego.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Housing Authority of the City of San Diego (Housing Authority) approve the appointment of an Interim President & Chief Executive Officer for the San Diego Housing Commission, who also serves as the Interim Executive Director of the Housing Authority of the City of San Diego (Housing Authority).

SUMMARY

San Diego Housing Commission (Housing Commission) President & Chief Executive Officer (President & CEO) Richard C. Gentry's resignation from the Housing Commission takes effect on March 31, 2022. The Housing Commission's President & CEO also serves as the Executive Director of the Housing Authority.

With more than 350 employees and a budget of more than \$600 million, the Housing Commission, including its nonprofit affiliate, is an affordable housing developer, investor and lender to affordable housing developers and owns or manages more than 4,100 affordable rental housing units in the City of San Diego. The Housing Commission also provides federal rental assistance to more than 16,000 low-income families who live in the City of San Diego. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Housing Commission has administered and operated the COVID-19 Housing Stability Assistance Program, which in less than a year has made payments totaling more than \$182.9 million to help pay rent and utilities for more than 16,200 households with low income experiencing financial hardship due to or during the pandemic. In addition, the Housing Commission is a leader in collaborative programs to address homelessness in the City of San Diego, including HOUSING FIRST – SAN DIEGO, the Housing Commission's homelessness action plan, which has created more than 10,200 housing solutions since 2014 for San Diegans experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness. The Housing Commission also administers the City of San Diego's homeless shelters and services programs through a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of San Diego.

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FISCAL CONSIDERATIONS

This action does not have any fiscal impact.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The proposed action to appoint the Interim President & CEO of the Housing Commission, who also serves as the Interim Executive Director of the Housing Authority, is not a project as defined in California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Section 15378(b)(5) as it is an administrative activity of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment and, therefore is not subject to CEQA pursuant to Section 15060(c)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines.

Respectfully submitted,

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San Diego Housing Commission

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HOUSING AUTHORITY OF
THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

RESOLUTION NUMBER HA-_____

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE
CITY OF SAN DIEGO APPOINTING THE PRESIDENT AND
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE SAN DIEGO
HOUSING COMMISSION AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
THE HOUSING AUTHORITY ON AN INTERIM BASIS.

WHEREAS, San Diego Municipal Code (Municipal Code) section 98.0301(a) provides,
“There is hereby created a *Commission* to act as a Housing Commission under the Housing
Authority Law of the State of California. The name of the *Commission* shall be the San Diego
Housing Commission. The *Commission* is granted all rights, powers, and duties of a Housing
Authority pursuant to the provisions of California Health and Safety Code sections 34200 –
34380, except those expressly retained by the Housing Authority of the City of San Diego in this
section”; and

WHEREAS, Municipal Code section 98.0301(b) defines the following terms:
“*Commission* means the San Diego Housing Commission, a public agency created pursuant to
the California Health and Safety Code”; “*Commission President* means the President and Chief
Executive Officer of the *Commission*”; “*Housing Authority* means the Housing Authority of the
City of San Diego, a public agency created pursuant to the California Health and Safety Code”;
and “*Housing Authority Executive Director* means the *Commission President* who also serves ex
officio as the Executive Director of the Housing Authority and is appointed by the *Housing
Authority*”; and

WHEREAS, by Housing Authority Resolution HA-1390 (July 29, 2008), the Housing Authority appointed Richard Gentry as the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Housing Commission and Executive Director of the Housing Authority; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gentry announced his resignation on February 22, 2022, which will be effective on March 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority desires to appoint a President and Chief Executive Officer of the Housing Commission and Executive Director of the Housing Authority on an interim basis effective April 1, 2022, with an annual salary of \$_____ and benefits as applicable throughout the duration of this appointment; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Housing Authority of the City of San Diego, that the Housing Authority appoints _____ to serve as the President and Chief Executive Officer of the San Diego Housing Commission and Executive Director of the Housing Authority on an interim basis.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Housing Commission is authorized to take all necessary actions in order to implement the appointment.

APPROVED: MARA W. ELLIOTT, General Counsel

By _____
Miguel Merrell
Deputy General Counsel

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The City of San Diego
Item Approvals

Item Subject: Appointment of an Interim Chief Executive Officer for the San Diego Housing Commission, who also serves as Interim Executive Director of the Housing Authority

Contributing Department	Approval Date
DOCKET OFFICE	03/11/2022

Approving Authority	Approver	Approval Date
HOUSING COMMISSION FINAL DEPARTMENT APPROVER	MARSHALL, SCOTT	03/11/2022
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT	DAVIS, JEFF	03/11/2022
CITY ATTORNEY	MERRELL, MIGUEL	03/11/2022