The Regular Meeting of the Housing Authority of the City of San Diego was called to order at 3:42 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Present:
- Council President Sean Elo-Rivera, District 9
- Councilmember Joe LaCava, District 1
- Councilmember Jennifer Campbell, District 2
- Councilmember Stephen Whitburn, District 3
- Council President Pro Tem Monica Montgomery Steppe, District 4
- Councilmember Marni von Wilpert, District 5
- Councilmember Chris Cate, District 6
- Councilmember Raul Campillo, District 7
- Councilmember Vivian Moreno, District 8

APPROVAL OF HOUSING AUTHORITY MINUTES

Motion by Councilmember Moreno to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of April 12, 2022. Seconded by Councilmember Cate and passed by a vote of 9-0.

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

Dorothy Lazenby commented about accessibility downtown.
Joy Sunyata commented on unsheltered people.

DISCUSSION AGENDA:

ITEM 1: HAR22-012 Authorization for the San Diego Housing Commission (Housing Commission) to Accept and Expend Additional Federal Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA1) Funds Allocated by the U.S. Department of the Treasury to the City of San Diego to Support the COVID-19 Housing Stability Assistance Program (HSAP); Authorization for the Housing Commission to Accept and Expend State of California Rental Assistance (SRA) Program Emergency Rental Assistance Short-Term Cash Flow Loan Funds Pursuant to State Senate Bill 115 to Support HSAP; and Approval of Related Actions

Azucena Valladolid, Executive Vice President of Rental Assistance, San Diego Housing Commission, and Angela Nazareno-Clark, Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Program Manager, Economic Development Department, City of San Diego, presented the request for approval.

Joy Sunyata spoke in favor.
Motion by Councilmember von Wilpert to take the following staff-recommended actions. Seconded by Councilmember Moreno and passed by a vote of 9-0.

City Council companion item

That the Housing Authority of the City of San Diego (Housing Authority) take the following actions:

1) Authorize the San Diego Housing Commission (Housing Commission) to amend its Fiscal Year 2022 budget in the amount of $7,133,772.56 in federal Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERA1) funds, which the U.S. Department of the Treasury allocated directly to the City of San Diego, to be administered by the Housing Commission to provide rental assistance and/or utility assistance to households with low income in the City of San Diego that experience financial hardship due to or during the COVID-19 pandemic and to cover administrative expenses in accordance with federal and state funding requirements.

2) Authorize the Housing Commission to accept and expend up to $96,291,294.59 in State of California Rental Assistance (SRA) Program Emergency Rental Assistance Short-Term Cash Flow Loan Funds pursuant to State Senate Bill 115 to support the City of San Diego COVID-19 Housing Stability Assistance Program, to be administered by the Housing Commission to provide rental assistance and/or utility assistance to households with low income in the City of San Diego that experience financial hardship due to or during the COVID-19 pandemic and to cover administrative expenses in accordance with state funding requirements.

3) Authorize the Housing Commission to amend its Fiscal Year 2022 budget in the amount up to $96,291,294.59 in SRA Program Emergency Rental Assistance Short-Term Cash Flow Loan Funds pursuant to State Senate Bill 115 to support the City of San Diego COVID-19 Housing Stability Assistance Program. If necessary, the continuing disbursement of approved funds would be included in the Housing Commission’s Fiscal Year 2023 budget, which will be presented separately to the Housing Authority for consideration in June 2022.

4) Authorize the Housing Commission’s Interim President & CEO, or designee, to modify the COVID-19 Housing Stability Assistance Program, if necessary, but only if and to the extent that such changes comply with the terms of the executed amended Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Housing Commission and the City of San Diego for the oversight and administration of the COVID-19 Housing Stability Assistance Program and are necessary to fulfill federal and state funding requirements. Housing Commission staff will notify the Housing Authority and the City Attorney’s Office about any subsequent amendments or modifications to the COVID-19 Housing Stability Assistance Program and other required documents, including amendments to any documents.

5) Authorize the Housing Commission’s Interim President & CEO, or designee, to substitute approved funding sources with any other available funds as deemed appropriate, contingent upon budget availability, and further authorize the Interim President & CEO, or designee, to take such actions as are necessary, convenient and/or appropriate to implement this approval and delegation of authority by the Housing Commission upon advice of the General Counsel.
6) Authorize the Housing Commission’s Interim President & CEO, or designee, to execute all necessary documents and instruments that are necessary and/or appropriate to implement these approvals, in a form and format approved by General Counsel, and to take such actions necessary and/or appropriate to implement these approvals, provided that a copy of the documents, signed as to form by General Counsel, are submitted to each Housing Commissioner in advance of approval for the designee to sign.

Adjournment

Council President Elo-Rivera adjourned the meeting at 3:49 p.m.