MEETING SUMMARY

Call to Order

Chairperson M. Menapace called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. and provided pre-meeting instructions, including emergency procedures for electronic meetings, as authorized by FOIA and the Emergency Ordinance.

Roll Call, in the order as presented:

- Marlene Blum (Vienna, VA)
- Mike Finkle (Fair Oaks, VA)
- Mary Ann Floto (Washington, DC)
- Michele (Cookie) Hymer-Blitz (Herndon, VA)
- Richard (Dick) Kennedy (Reston, VA)
- Clayton Medford (Woodbridge, VA)
- Jane Plum (Fredericksville, VA)
- Valerie Sutter (Annandale, VA)
- Michele Menapace (Alexandria, VA)
- Jim Edwards-Hewitt (Fairfax, VA)

Chairperson M. Menapace moved that each member’s voice be adequately heard by each other member of the committee. Seconded by C. Medford, motion passed.

Chairperson M. Menapace moved that due to the COVID-19 Pandemic and emergency procedures authorized by FOIA and the Emergency Ordinance, this committee meeting is being conducted electronically online through Webex. The public can gain access online at: http://bit.ly/CCFACMeeting-April2021, or by calling toll-free number: 1-844-621-3956 and using access code: 129 155 8483#. Second by M. Finkle, the motion passed.

Inter-agency staff present on WebEx:

Sarah Brinkmoeller (OSM), Michelle Brizzi (NCS), Ramona Carroll (NCS), Jason Chia (DHCD), Regina Coyle (DHCD), Renee Edwards (NCS), Jenny Hsu (DHCD), Andrew Janos (DPMM), Laura Lazo (DHCD), Beverly Moses (DHCD), Cathy Muse (DPMM), George Rodriguez (DHCD), John Ruthinoski (DFS), and Ryan Sherriff (DHCD).
Approval of January 12, 2021 CCFAC Meeting Summary

On the motion of M. Finkle, second by M. Blum, the committee approved the January 12, 2021 CCFAC Meeting Summary.

Feedback on FY 2023-2024 CCFP Categories

M. Menapace and C. Medford has been authorized by CCFAC to make any revisions needed to the CCFP Categories document. None were needed and final recommendations will be reported at the next CCFAC meeting in March 2021.

Recommendation to Board to Approve the Draft Five-Year Consolidated Plan for FY 2022-2026 and One-Year Action Plan for FY 2022

L. Lazo provided a summary of the five-year Consolidated Planning process and an update on the status of this revised draft document, which includes a summary of all public comments received. All comments received were in line with existing county priorities and strategies. Where appropriate, DHCD staff provided responses to public comments submitted. L. Lazo summarized the changes made to the draft document since it was last reviewed and released by the CCFAC for public comment. These changes include: the completion of the Executive Summary, Appendices (with a new COVID-19 appendix) and MA-50 sections; addition of the New Market Analysis section; incorporation of the actual federal allocations based on the February 2021 HUD award notice received by the county, and updated estimates of projected carryover funds and program income. L. Lazo also explained the remaining steps to be completed prior to submission of this Consolidated Planning document to HUD prior to the May 16, 2021 deadline.

R. Kennedy moved and M. Blum seconded motion to submit CCFAC’s recommendation to the Board of Supervisors that, during the May 4, 2021 meeting, the Board should approve the Draft Five-Year Consolidated Plan for FY 2022-2026 and One-Year Action Plan for FY 2022 and it’s submission to HUD.

Information from Appointing Organizations

M. Finkle announced that Tom Barnett, Deputy Director of the Office to Prevent and Homelessness (OPEH), is excited about the additional federal HOME Investment Partnerships Program funds to be allocated to Fairfax County through the recent American Rescue Plan of 2021.

C. Hymer-Blitz announced that her appointment expires after this April and that another representative will be appointed to represent the Disability Services Board (DSB). Members expressed their appreciation for the contributions that C. Hymer-Blitz has made to the CCFAC and her valuable representation of the DSB.

R. Kennedy reported that housing will be a significant issue in the county’s budget for FY 2022.
M. Finkle commented that the change in the commercial real estate uses because of COVID-19 Pandemic has sparked analysis and conversations about repurposing these spaces. M. Blum pointed out that the same is true of hotel space. L. Lazo reported that the County Executive is interested in exploring the potential reduction of commercial properties being used as office space and the potential for repurposing county properties for residential uses.


M. Menapace announced that the Fairfax County Democratic Committee has adopted a resolution in support of the “one penny for affordable housing.”

Other Business

None.

The meeting adjourned at 8:24 pm.