

Concord Housing Commission Minutes  
Tuesday, January 18, 2010  
8:00 AM Chamber of Commerce

Present: Arndt (presiding), Fries, Kilchenstein, Nadeau, Walker, Sink

The November minutes were reviewed and approved.

Steve Arndt reported that Rosemary had forwarded a copy of the 2020 grant application and asked us to discuss applying for a study grant. The idea is that the Commission would hire a consultant (such as Jeff Taylor) to conduct a site charette for the development of cottage type housing in Concord. A few sites in the South End were discussed, however, it is hoped that if this type of development is feasible that it could be recreated into a prototype that could occur in other parts of the community.

“Cottage housing” refers to smaller, single family units on relatively small plots, creating a certain level of density and housing affordability appropriate for first time buyers, retirees and people of moderate income means. It is not meant to be “low income” as this relates to subsidized housing.

The commission agreed that we should apply for the grant and conduct the study / charette, but that we should run this by the City to make sure this would be of interest as it could relate to zoning changes. Tim will contact Carlos Baia to get his take. Claudia walker will speak with Paul Provost regarding some of the properties discussed, as he has contact with some of the owners. Steve will brief Rosemary on the discussion. Rosemary had indicated that she may be willing to submit the application to Concord 2020.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 15 at 8:00 AM at the Chamber.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Sink