## Edgartown Affordable Housing Committee Meeting Minutes April 25, 2024 at 4:15 PM Remote Only/Zoom

Members in Attendance: Chairman Mark Hess, Vice-Chair Jason Mazar-Kelly, Casey O'Connor, and Maria Ventura

Vice-Chair Jason Mazar-Kelly called the meeting to order at 4:17 p.m.

Old Business: Community One Stop for Growth Funds (Town Administrator James Hagerty) - It was explained that the One Stop for Growth Funding is a channel to variety of grants including preparing for growth to catalyzing specific projects. Mr. Hagerty stated the town of Edgartown has been successful with both the Meshacket and Wayfinding awarded grants. The One Stop for Growth awarded approximately \$20,000 for Wayfinding and approximately \$400,000 for Meshacket. The Expression of Interest (EOI) helps to steer us in the right direction and if we cover 85% of what's suggested it seems to be successful. Mr. Hagerty suggestion is to use both the Meshacket and Wayfinding EOI and applications as samples to follow. Vice-Chair Jason Mazar-Kelly stated this would be a great opportunity to apply for the grant to cover the Chappaquiddick (Chappy) Lot project, since we didn't get the funding from Community Preservation Committee (CPC) for it. The idea of the Chappy Lot project is to use it as a sample for converting Town lots into buy down programs. All members present agreed to proceed with the One Stop for Growth Funding applications. Mr. Mazar-Kelly stated he will coordinate with the Affordable Housing Manager to use the Chappy Lot Project information following the Meshacket Application format to send to Mr. Hagerty by Monday, April 29, 2024 for submission. Since the deadline is Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024 to submit the Community One Stop for Growth Funds EOI. 66 Curtis Lane – As per Casey O'Connor this is still a nice house and it abuts the Edgartown Golf so although its private can we get with Mr. Hess to see if Edgartown Golf would be interested. It was decided that since Mr. O'Connor is familiar with the house he should reach out to Mr. Hess in hopes to save this house from demolition. Mr. Vigneault will reach out to the Curtis Lane homeowners and see if they already pulled a permit or not.

41 Road to the Plains – This one is good for demo.

23 Pinehurst Rd – This is mostly for material going to the Habitat.

Mr. Vigneault explained the demo process has been good for the soft strip materials going to the Habitat. Mr. Vigneault proposed that the Committee looks more into what can be done from the donated demo referral houses and if our vacant lots can get demo house on them? Vice-Chair Jason Mazar-Kelly responded that the cost to move the property is a lot and fixing them up is even more expensive, but the Committee is still looking at variety ways to utilize the lots and saving demo homes if we have the lots that aligns. Mr. Vigneault will double check if we have passed the 30 days to respond to the homeowners who sent the demo referral letters. Mr. O'Connor pointed out that the demo property should be presented to the affordable clients that own lots just as another ways to save the demo referral houses. Mr. O'Connor gave an example that he won the Lottery for his lot but no one told him about demo referral houses. Mr. Mazar-Kelly said the demo procedure, timeline and other process needs adjustment inorder to be more effective, this is something the Committee will have to look at.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:13 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Shanette Deleon** 

Edgartown Affordable Housing Committee

Date of Approval

5.14.24