Wellesley Housing Authority Board Meeting Online Remote Meeting Minutes Wednesday, September 2, 2020 – 9:30 AM

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1. Roll Call

Maura Renzella, Chairperson Kim Maire, Commissioner Janice Coduri, Commissioner Renee Spencer, Commissioner Sean Barnicle, Executive Director Jackie Sullivan, Deputy Director

- 2. Barton Road re-development project: Discussion/update for new WHA board members Background:
 - DHCD has little funding available for new public housing and is focused on maintaining existing properties. In Wellesley, Barton Road has lots of land and was deemed to have redevelopment potential.
 - CPC funded a feasibility study with \$200,000 grant, Mass Housing Partnership helped with drafting an RFP (Jan. 2018), and the process culminated with TISE Designs being awarded a Phase 1 redevelopment contract in April 25, 2019.
 - Affordable Housing Task Force is liaison with Town, with members of the Planning, BOS, Town Manager and other stakeholders have been supportive.

April 2019 and present:

- Studies and surveys of properties began, but one slowdown resulted from a major disconnect on scope of work early on, and then later with the pandemic. At contract deadline in Oct. 2019, TISE made a presentation to Housing Task Force with update but had not completed report.
- April 30, 2020 meeting was held and discussed 2 and 3. TISE gave verbal commitment to produce final report in July 2020.

Commissioner Janice Coduri makes a motion to direct Executive Director Barnicle to speak with TISE, request production of the final report and schedule meeting with Board. Commissioner Kim Maire seconded, and motion is passes by the following vote: 3-0.

3. Citizen Speak –

Odessa Sanchez, resident of Barton Road, asked about a 2018 committee which she
joined that asked for resident input. Group is inactive, but may be reconvened once a
final report has been produced.

4. Adjournment

Next Meeting Date: Thursday Sept. 24, 2020, 9:30 a.m.