

Motion to Accept Bid for 76 Mechanic Street – Elizabeth House

WHEREAS, a Request for Proposals (RFP) for 76 Mechanic Street was approved by the FHA Board of Commissioners on May 28th, 2021, to place the property out to bid for leasing. The current lease expired over six years ago. The bid was held on October 8th, 2021, with one bid being received by Our Father's House, Inc. the current lease holder: and

WHEREAS, the sole submitted bid met all of the mandated requirements including the hard-to-house mandate; and

WHEREAS, (i) while FHA staff estimated that the rent should be over \$3,000.00 a month, Our Father's House submitted a bid of only \$2,500.00 plus payment of all property taxes and water/sewer bills. However, the lower than estimated rent would be acceptable per DHCD Public Housing Notice 2021-20 (LHA Budget Guidelines for FY2022). (ii) Under Section II Subsection F on Page 12 of the public housing notice DHCD expects that minimum rents for all 689 properties to be \$254.00 per bed. This is the absolute minimum allowable rent. Elizabeth House has eight (8) bedrooms so this would equate to \$254.00 x eight = \$2,032.00. The submitted bid is \$2,500.00 which is 23.03% over the minimum DHCD rental threshold.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the FHA Board of Commissioners authorizes the Executive Director to finalize the lease negotiation process with Our Father's House per the parameters of the RFP and submitted bid and execute such documents as necessary.

FHA Board Members Present: 5 (3 needed for quorum) FHA Members Absent 0

Votes for Approval 5 yes Votes Denying Motion _____


Abstentions: 0 Name(s): _____

Quorum (Three Members): yes (Yes / No)

Signatures of Fitchburg Housing Authority Members Approving this Motion:


Linda E. Byrne FHA Chair


Douglas M. Bushman
FHA Executive Director & Board Secretary


Date Oct 27, 2021

10-28-2021
Date