

**Meeting Minutes of Accessible Housing Advisory Board
Wednesday, May 7, 2025, 7:30 a.m.**

Pursuant to the due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the Accessible Housing Advisory Board (AHAB) was duly held at the Sioux Falls Development Foundation Briefing Center – 200 North Phillips Avenue, Suite 301, on Wednesday, May 7, 2025.

1. Call to Order and Quorum Determination.

The regular meeting of the Accessible Housing Advisory Board was called to order on Wednesday, May 7, 2025, at 7:30 a.m. by Vice-Chair Aspen Thorstenson. There were sufficient members for a quorum.

A. Members Present:	Kari Benz	Logan Penfield
	Joan Franken	Aspen Thorstenson
	Jennifer Bleyenbergh	Gregg Gohl
	Kris Denevan	Jim Schmidt
B. Members Absent:	Bill O'Connor	Rich Merkouris
	Dawn Marie Johnson	
C. City Staff Present:	Shana Nelson	Mark Cotter
	Jeff Nelson	Jourdyn Brown
	Jeff Eckhoff	Michelle Treasure
D. Others Present:	Kenley Lamberty	Bob Mundt

2. Approval of Minutes of March 5, 2025, Meeting

The minutes from the March AHAB Meeting were approved without changes.

Motion to Approve Minutes: Gregg Gohl

Second: Logan Penfield

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval of Regular Agenda

The regular agenda was approved with changes. An agenda item was added to allow for Kenley Lamberty and Michelle Erpenbach to discuss the Home and Rental Education Course put on by HAT.

Motion to Approve the regular agenda: Logan Penfield

Second: Gregg Gohl

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Public Input on Non-Agenda Item

- None

5. Community Housing Updates

- Gregg Gohl gave an update on the housing market and new RASE Sales Data.

6. Housing Education Course and Resource Fair (Kenley Lamberty and Michelle Erpenbach)

Kenley and Michelle gave an overview of the housing education courses offered to community members for free, put on at the Terry Redlin Elementary School.

Full details can be found on Sioux Falls Thrive's website under Housing Education.

7. Minnehaha County Updates (Kari Benz)

Kari gave an update on Just Home, which is in the final transition on the intake entry. The process is being transferred to Sioux Falls Housing and Redevelopment Commission. To date, 128 people have applied to be in the program.

8. City of Sioux Falls General Housing Update (Shana Nelson)

Shana gave an overview to the board on the following:

1. New Housing Program Specialist, Matt Cerny.
2. The 2024 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) that was submitted to HUD.
3. HUD Staffing changes and updates.
4. The timeline for a new 5-year Comprehensive Plan.

9. Federal Funding and 2025 Action Plan (Logan Penfield)

Logan gave an update on 2025 federal funding. CDBG and HOME grant allocations are expected by mid-May and are expected to be similar to FY24. This triggers the process of developing the 2025 Action Plan this summer and will be submitted by the end of August.

10. Adjournment

Vice-Chair Aspen Thorstenson adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:30 a.m.

Kari Benz, Secretary