

DWELLING PLACE OF GRAND RAPIDS
GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE
November 24, 2020
Committee Approved December 15, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT Annamarie Buller, David Byers, Holly Jacoby, Rick Stevens, Lee Nelson
Weber

MEMBERS ABSENT Juan Daniel Castro

**STAFF & GUESTS
PRESENT** Zoe Post, Denny Sturtevant

Lela Lyons

The meeting convened via conference call at 2:36 PM.

**BOARD CANDIDATE
INTERVIEW** Ms. Buller introduced Ms. Lyons, noting that staff recommended her having
collaborated with Ms. Lyons during NeighborWorks' Community Leadership
Institute. Ms. Lyons, a resident of Roosevelt Apartments in Muskegon
Heights, described for the committee her many years of experience in
customer service at Consumers Energy and her empathetic approach to the
needs of her community. Ms. Lyons intentionally connects with other
residents of Muskegon Heights and was actively involved in planning the
exercise park at Roosevelt.

The committee discussed Ms. Lyons' skill set, noting that she could be an
asset to both the Resident Engagement and Marketing & Development
Committees in addition to full board service. **Rick Stevens made a motion
to recommend Ms. Lyons to the Dwelling Place Board of Directors,
pending review of her application materials. This was seconded by
Holly Jacoby and carried unanimously.**

OTHER BUSINESS The committee discussed the best approach to board recruitment, Ms.
Nelson Weber suggesting that the committee interview a larger pool of
candidates to garner interest in board service and onboard new members as
the needs of the board change.

Other potential board candidates discussed are:

- Kayla Morgan, potential CLT homebuyer
- Mallory Patterson, resident of Martineau
- Recommendations from Continuum of Care, Community Rebuilders,
and Family Promise

Ms. Post will create a list of mentors and mentees on the board for the
committee to review when selecting mentors for new board members.

ADJOURNMENT The Governance Committee meeting adjourned at 3:38 PM.