BOARD OF HOUSING COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-02

LIMITED INTAKE OF APPLICATIONS FOR PUBLIC HOUSING FOR ALL BEDROOM SIZES

WHEREAS, the Board of Housing Commissioners adopted the Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy (ACOP) of the Albuquerque Housing Authority (AHA), a New Mexico public body corporate, to establish an intake process for applicants seeking admission to the AHA Public Housing Program; and

WHEREAS, the AHA ACOP (Chapter 4-II.C.) indicates that AHA may choose to accept pre-applications in a limited capacity and for a limited period of time as the need arises; and

WHEREAS, the current policy has been to accept a very limited number of new pre-applications for admission, and that narrow criteria being only for Involuntary Displacement (Public Housing); and

WHEREAS, the Public Housing Program is currently estimated to have less than a one year waiting time for all Bedroom sizes (from studio apartment to units with five (5) bedrooms);

WHEREAS, AHA aspires to serve people in need as fast as possible, and to keep the waiting list for these programs as short as possible, and the goal is that the waiting lists never be more than two years in length; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE AHA BOARD OF HOUSING COMMISSIONERS, the governing body of AHA,

1. There is a well-documented shortage of safe, sanitary and decent housing units currently for rent at rates affordable to low income and extremely low-income persons in the City of Albuquerque.
2. To better serve our community by being wise stewards of limited public resources, AHA will accept pre-applications for all Bedroom sizes of Public Housing units only via on-line pre-application. The Public Housing Waitlist will be open for 30 day period following criteria defined in the AHA ACOP and in accordance with all HUD Regulations. After the initial 30-Day pre-application period the Waitlist will be closed but may be reopened throughout the Calendar Year as needed to fill specific unit sizes and/or preferences.
3. AHA will continue to accept new pre-applications for admission, now and after the limited 30 day opening of the Wait list, from applicants that meet at least one (1) of the narrow criteria:
    a. Applicant qualifies for an Involuntary Displacement (Public Housing) preference in public housing (as defined in the AHA ACOP, Chapter 4.III.B), and
    b. Applicant meets the eligibility criteria for admission listed in the AHA ACOP.
4. And be it further resolved that: the Board reserves the right to change this policy as it sees fit in the future.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 18th day of January 2023.

BY A VOTE OF 5 FOR, AND 0 AGAINST.

Members Absent: _____
Members voting against: _____

ALBUQUERQUE HOUSING AUTHORITY
BOARD OF HOUSING COMMISSIONERS

By: /s Maurreen Skowran
Maurreen Skowran, Chairperson of the Board

ATTEST:

/s Thea Guerin
Thea Guerin, Acting Secretary to the Board and Deputy Director