



Susan Riggs Tinsky Named SDHF Executive Director

Susan Riggs Tinsky has been selected by the San Diego Housing Federation Board of Directors as the organization's new Executive Director. She replaces Tom Scott who is retiring October 31.

"I am thrilled to be provided the opportunity to serve the Federation's members and the affordable housing community at large," Tinsky said. "Building on Tom Scott's excellent work, I am optimistic that the Federation will continue to strengthen its voice in making affordable housing a priority in the San Diego region."

Tinsky has been an attorney with the San Diego law firm of Best, Best & Kreiger, LLP since 2008. She specializes in affordable housing and redevelopment law. She worked for the San Diego Housing Commission from 2001-2004. In her last assignment there, she served as chief policy advisor working on public policy issues such as San Diego's Linkage Fee, which is again under study.

"With the many critical issues facing affordable housing developers and today's challenging economic conditions, the Federation needs an experienced, committed, and knowledgeable executive director. Susan exemplifies those qualities and we believe she will be effective from day one. We are very excited to have her join us in October," said Evan Becker, SDHF Board President.

She served previously as vice president of government affairs for the San Diego Association of Realtors and on the adjunct faculty of San Diego State University and Southwestern College where she taught housing policy and real estate economics, respectively.

Tinsky is active in a number of community and civic organizations. She is president-elect of Citizens Coordinate for Century 3 (C3), former co-chair of the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce Housing Policy Committee, and serves on the board of Walk San Diego. She is also participating in Sustainable San Diego's Steering Committee.

Tinsky received her JD *Magna cum Laude* from Thomas Jefferson Law School in 2008. She holds a Masters in City Planning from SDSU where she was outstanding graduate of the year in 2002. Her BA in Spanish is from the University of Georgia-Athens.

She was in the LEAD San Diego Class of 2003 and is a licensed real estate salesperson. She's also been active in the redevelopment of the North Park community of San Diego.

Scott has been the Federation's Executive Director since 2002. During his tenure the Federation has grown its membership, increased participation in SDHF activities, and improved its financial position. He served as president of Housing California in 2008. He is currently president of the San Diego Association of Non-Profits.

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