CITY OF LONG BEACH HOMELESS SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 2021 VIA TELECONFERENCE, 3:30 PM

Susana Sngiem, Chair S. Jolene Hui, Vice Chair Jeanette Barrera, Member James Howat, Member Jeffrey Johnson, Member Linda Wilson, Member



Allison Kripp, Member Julie Lie, Member Eboney Pearson, Member Desiree Rew, Member Janine Solano, Member

FINISHED AGENDA AND MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Homeless Services Advisory Committee of the City of Long Beach convened at 3:30 p.m. via teleconference.

2. ROLL CALL

Commissioners James Howat, Jeffrey Johnson, Allison Kripp, Julie Lie, Desiree Present: Rew, Linda Wilson, Janine Solano, S. Jolene Hui and Susana Sngiem

Commissioners Jeanette Barrera

Excused:

Commissioners Eboney Pearson

Absent:

Also present: Paul Duncan, Homeless Services Officer; Alvin Teng, Special Projects Coordinator; Joel Reynoza, Homeless Resource Coordinator; Michelle Lim, Community Program Technician; Sarah Green, Deputy City Attorney

Chair Sngiem presiding.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

<u>21-006HS</u> Recommendation to approve minutes for March 3, 2021.

Attachments: HSAC Minutes 3-3-21.pdf
HSAC Staff Presentation 03-03-2021.pdf

Committee Member Howat moved to approve the minutes as submitted, seconded by Committee Member Lie.

Yes: 9 - James Howat, Jeffrey Johnson, Allison Kripp, Julie Lie, Desiree Rew, Linda Wilson, Janine Solano, S. Jolene Hui and Susana Sngiem

Excused: 1 - Jeanette Barrera

Absent: 1 - Eboney Pearson

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Natalie Swit, National Council of Jewish Women

5. OLD BUSINESS

- Ad Hoc Committee Reports:
 - Community Capacity Building
 - Committee Member Hui provided an update
 - Fundraising for Mayor's Fund
 - Committee Member Solano provided an update
 - Committee Member Howat asked for clarification on the amount of funds available
 - Steve Be Cotte presented on the Mayor's Fund to the Long Beach Homeless Coalition
- Mayor's Fund to End Homelessness
 - Paul Duncan, Homeless Services Officer, provided an update on the MOU
 - Fundraising Ad Hoc Committee will review the MOU
 - For fund recipients, LBCF does not require insurance
- Continuum of Care Update:
 - o Representative for CoC Board
 - Paul Duncan, Homeless Services Officer, provided an update
 - Committee Member Kripp and Barrera expressed interest in serving as the representative for CoC Board
 - Committee Members votes by ballot were announced
 - Committee members Kripp, Rew, Hui, Johnson, Pearson, and Sngiem voted for Committee Member Kripp
 - Committee members Solano, Lie, Howat, Barrera voted for Committee

- Member Barrera
- Committee Member Kripp will continue serving as the representative for the CoC Board
- Committee Member Johnson will no longer serve as a representative for the CoC Board since there will be one representative moving forward per the LB CoC Governance Charter and Bylaws

6. NEW BUSINESS

- Future Meeting Presentations
 - o Chair Sngiem lead a discussion on future presentation recommendations
 - o Committee Members are welcome to present on relevant topics
 - Committee Members proposed the following topics:
 - Modular Shelters or Tiny Homes
 - Sanctioned Encampments and case studies, such as San Pedro and Echo Park, as well as how to address encampments in City parks
 - Convention Center Migrant Shelter
 - Introduction to new Quality of Life Team officers
- HSAC Annual Report Recommendations
 - Committee Member Johnson provided an update and requested feedback from committee members
 - Chair Sngiem recommended connecting with CoC Co-Chairs for recommendations
 - Committee Members recommended the following items for the Annual Report:
 - Safe Parking and the effects of oversized vehicles
 - Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic
 - Updates on Everyone Home Long Beach recommendations and what has been accomplished.
- Recovery Act Funding
 - o Paul Duncan, Homeless Services Officer, provided a report
 - o Discussion ensued among the committee members
- AB-71 Bringing California Home Act
 - o Paul Duncan, Homeless Services Officer, provided a report
 - o Discussion ensued among the committee members
 - Since AB-71 is still in committee, there is still enough time to approve a support letter by the next meeting
 - Policy Subcommittee will discuss AB-71 and provide recommendations on how to support the bill before HSAC vote at the next meeting
 - CoC Board will also be discussing support for AB-71

7. HOMELESS SERVICES STAFF REPORT

- Outreach Update
 - o Report by Joel Reynoza, Homeless Resource Coordinator
 - Volunteer opportunities for outreach have not been possible due to the COVID-19
 Pandemic, but could be possible in the future
- Homeless Services Division Operations Update
 - Report by Paul Duncan, Homeless Services Officer
 - The Mobile Opiate Treatment pilot program will operate in Long Beach for one year, with HSD Outreach staff collaboration

8. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Natalie Swit, National Council of Jewish Women, voiced support for AB 71, requested that HSAC consider supporting SB 679, and inquired about vaccination efforts for people experiencing homelessness
- Pat Welch, Community Member, requested that HSAC consider San Pedro's sanctioned encampments program and RV Safe Parking

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM

- Policy Committee Update on AB 71 and SB 679
- Strike Team
- Vaccine Updates
- Migrant Center at LB Convention Center
- Introduction to Quality of Life Team
- Public Works and Clean Ups
- Sanctioned Encampments San Pedro and Echo Park Case Study
- Modular Structures/Units

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

11. ADJOURNMENT

At 5:18 p.m. Chair Sngiem adjourned the meeting.

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