

**CITY OF LONG BEACH  
HOMELESS SERVICES  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 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

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**FINISHED AGENDA AND MINUTES**

**HOMELESS SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE  
PURSUANT TO ASSEMBLY BILL 361**

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<http://www.longbeach.gov/homeless-services/hsac/>**

**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.

**ROLL CALL**

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

Also present: Paul Duncan, Homeless Services Bureau Manager; Alvin Teng, Special Projects Coordinator; Joel Reynoza, Homeless Resource Coordinator; Alejandra Gutierrez, Homeless Services Bureau Secretary; Anita Lakhani, Deputy City Attorney

Chair Sngiem presiding

## REGULAR AGENDA

1. [21-040HS](#) Recommendation to approve of the minutes of the Homeless Services Advisory Committee meeting on Wednesday, October 6, 2021.

**A motion was made by Member Rew, seconded by Member Kripp, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**Abstain:** 2 - James Howat and Eboney Pearson

## SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES

### Community Capacity Building Subcommittee Update

-Vice Chair Hui provided an update

- The CCB Subcommittee and staff recently met on October 26, 2021 to discuss Long Beach Community Table proposal, workflow, and process of Mayor's Fund applications
- The CCB Subcommittee and staff are also working on a rubric to better evaluate proposals
- The subcommittee and staff will next meet on November 19, 2021
- The subcommittee discussed which agencies can apply for Mayor's Fund to End Homelessness
- CCB Subcommittee recommends approval of the Long Beach Community Table funding application to the Mayor's Fund to End Homelessness

- Special Project Coordinator Alvin Teng introduced Executive Director Kristen Cox from Long Beach Community Table

- Kristen Cox provided background information about her organization and the proposed project to be funded
- Discussion ensued

2. [21-041HS](#) Recommendation to recommend approval of the Long Beach Community Table funding application for the Mayor's Fund to End Homelessness.

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Hui, seconded by Member Kripp, to approve recommendation to recommend. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 8 - Jeanette Barrera, Jeffrey Johnson, Allison Kripp, Desiree Rew, Linda Wilson, Janine Solano, S. Jolene Hui and Susana Sngiem

**Abstain:** 3 - James Howat, Julie Lie and Eboney Pearson

Fundraising Subcommittee Update

-Committee Member Solano provided an update

- The Fundraising Subcommittee met on October 26, 2021 to discuss and approve the letter of support and flyer for the Mayor's Fund to End Homelessness
- The Fundraising subcommittee would like to include in the next HSAC meeting a motion to approve funding organizations that will help with Hygiene kits for PEH
- Discussion ensued among committee

3. [21-042HS](#) Recommendation to receive and file the Support Letter and Flyer for the Mayor's Fund to End Homelessness.

**A motion was made by Member Solano, seconded by Wilson, to received and filed. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 8 - Jeanette Barrera, Jeffrey Johnson, Allison Kripp, Julie Lie, Desiree Rew, Linda Wilson, Janine Solano and Susana Sngiem

**Abstain:** 2 - James Howat and Eboney Pearson

**Excused:** 1 - S. Jolene Hui

## SANCTIONED ENCAMPMENTS

- Chair Susana Sngiem provided an update
    - HSAC is an advisory committee for the Long Beach City Council, HSAC can support or recommend services to those experiencing homelessness in the city
    - HSAC would like to learn more about different models of sanctioned encampments happening nationwide
    - Many different models are being looked at and discussed by committee members, such as tiny homes and sanctioned encampments
  - Committee member Linda Wilson met with Councilmember Richardson
  - Committee member Allison Kripp will meet with Councilwoman Zendejas next week and will discuss sanctioned encampments
  - Committee Member Desiree Rew provided an update from the Policy Subcommittee
    - Policy Subcommittee is reviewing information and looking into sanctioned encampments options, and created a statement
    - Statement will be added to next meeting agenda for committee vote
- Lee Charlie provided public comment

4. [21-043HS](#) Recommendation to receive and file a follow-up discussion on Sanctioned Encampments in the City of Long Beach.

**A motion was made by Member Kripp, seconded by Member Lie, to received and filed. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Jeffrey Johnson, Allison Kripp, Julie Lie, Desiree Rew, Linda Wilson, Janine Solano and Susana Sngiem

**Abstain:** 3 - Jeanette Barrera, James Howat and Ebony Pearson

**Excused:** 1 - S. Jolene Hui

## COC COLLABORATION AND PROCEDURE

- City Attorney Anita Lakhani provided an update
  - City Attorney Anita Lakhani, stated an annual combined meeting of HSAC and CoC can happen, as long as it is Brown Act compliant with each body agendizing items separately and taking place in the City of Long Beach
  - City Attorney Anita Lakhani recommended a study session format
- Committee Member Allison Kripp provided an update
  - Continuum of Care Board approved NOFO in a special meeting on October 28, 2021

5. [21-044HS](#) Recommendation to receive and file a follow-up discussion on collaboration between HSAC and the CoC Board.

**A motion was made by Member Kripp, seconded by Member Rew, to received and filed. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**Abstain:** 2 - James Howat and Ebony Pearson

## 2022 HOMELESS COUNT

- Special Projects Coordinator Alvin Teng provided an update on the 2022 Homeless Count
  - The 2022 PIT Count will take place on Tuesday, January 25, 2022
  - City staff will be sending out volunteer information in early November, there will be staggered deployment of volunteers and staff to comply with Covid-19 restrictions
  - City will be recruiting about 250 volunteers to survey and count people experiencing homelessness. Volunteers will also support logistical and administration duties
  - Trainings will be virtual for volunteers
- City Attorney Anita Lakhani clarified that HSAC members can volunteer for 2022 Homeless Count and are not limited due to quorum, but they should not discuss HSAC items at any time when meeting outside of HSAC
  - Staff is reaching out to Cal State Long Beach to better incorporate a Youth Count in the 2022 Homeless Count
  - Volunteers will need proof of vaccination or negative Covid test, and will also be required to wear masks
- Lee Charlie provided public comment
- Natalie Swit, CoC Board Member, provided public comment

6. [21-045HS](#) Recommendation to receive and file a presentation on the planning for the 2022 Long Beach Homeless Count.

**A motion was made by Wilson, seconded by Member Lie, to received and filed. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 10 - Jeanette Barrera, James Howat, Jeffrey Johnson, Allison Kripp, Julie Lie, Ebony Pearson, Desiree Rew, Linda Wilson, Janine Solano and Susana Sngiem

**Excused:** 1 - S. Jolene Hui

### HOMELESS SERVICES STAFF REPORT

- Homeless Services Bureau Manager, Paul Duncan, provided an update
  - Outreach Update
  - Homeless Services Operations Update
    - o Staff updates
    - o Winter Shelter
    - o Intensive Case Management Services
    - o HUD NOFO
    - o Emergency Housing Voucher
    - o Pandemic Response
- Franklin Sims provided public comment

7. [21-046HS](#) Recommendation to receive and file the Homeless Services Bureau Staff Report.

**A motion was made by Member Howat, seconded by Member Solano, to received and filed. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 9 - Jeanette Barrera, James Howat, Allison Kripp, Julie Lie, Ebony Pearson, Desiree Rew, Linda Wilson, Janine Solano and Susana Sngiem

**Abstain:** 1 - Jeffrey Johnson

**Excused:** 1 - S. Jolene Hui

### CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR REPORT

- Chair Susana Sngiem stated there was no additional updates from Chair or Vice Chair
- Paul Barry provided public comment

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No additional public comment

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEM**

- Alternatives in Outreach
- Follow up Discussion on Sanctioned encampments, HSAC Statement
- Vote on intention to fund Hygiene Kits within Mayor's Fund
- Council Member Rex Richardson's Proposal for Mental Health Alternatives

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

NONE

**ADJOURNMENT**

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