



Housing Council MEETING MINUTES

June 7, 2018 | 3851 Rosecrans St. – Coronado Room | 11:30am – 1:00pm

Attending members: Valerie Arita (Access to Independence), Renee Cookson (NAMI), Joseph Gavin (Serving Seniors), Lisa Huff (CHW), Izabela Karmach (SDCPH), Jeffrey Najarian (RII), Jon Walters (HIP), Whitney Wilson (JFS) Attending non-members/BHS staff: Alfredo Aguirre (BHS), Angeli Cabal (BHS-AOA), Burton Disner (NCHHP), Laura Hanley (HIP), Hazel Quinones (HHSA-AIS), Neile Nguyen (NCMHC), Michael Haigis (HIP), Stephen Russell (SDHF).

	AGENDA ITEM	SUMMARY	ACTION
I.	Welcome and Introductions Adrienne Berlin & Lisa Huff (co-chairs) 11:30-11:35am	Meeting called to order by Lisa Huff at 11:34am.	
II.	Review and Approval of draft May 2018 Minutes 11:35-11:40am	Minutes approved without corrections and one abstention (Jon Walters).	
III.	Public Input 11:40-11:45am	No public input.	
IV.	Co-Chair Updates 11:45-11:50am	No updates.	
V.	BHS Director's Update Alfredo Aguirre 11:50-12:00pm	 Governor's revised budget: May revise proposed approx. \$4 billion in one-time general fund spending, adding more support in areas of homelessness and mental health, including CalWorks housing support program and CalWorks homeless assistance program. Two board letters will be going to the Behavioral Health Advisory Board to seek support before the June 19th meeting of the County Board of Supervisors: SNHP board letter: Would allocate up to \$10 million of unspent MHSA funds to the Special Needs Housing Program (SNHP) for permanent supportive housing. If approved, the goal is to get the board letter to the State by July 1. Competitive solicitation/procurement board letter: Includes augmented services program (supporting the board and care network); homeless runaway youth program; and Innovations – to amend existing contract for mobile hoarding project. 	Action Item: Alfredo to forward email to group with more information on the proposed revised governor's budget.
VI.	Presentation 12:00-12:30pm Local and State Housing Funding	 The problem: Since 2000, median rent has increased by 36% while renter income has only increased 4%. Problem is caused by shortage of supply and growing deficit of housing in region. Additionally, 	

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	Stephen Russell Executive Director San Diego Housing Federation	majority of housing being produced is for above moderate income. Loss of redevelopment dollars in 2012 was followed by growth in homelessness. Proposal will place a \$900 million bond on the November 2018 ballot to provide housing for: Individuals currently experiencing homelessness Veterans, seniors, and disabled persons at risk of homelessness Hard-working, low-income San Diegans with children The measure will: provide matching funds needed to make the city eligible for its fair share of state and federal resources; create thousands of jobs; strengthen local economy. Funds will be administered by the San Diego Housing Commission. \$900 million was calculated to produce approx. 7500 units over the lifetime of the bond: Of the 7500, 2500 will be permanent supportive housing units; 2500 will be for veterans/seniors/disabled; and 2500 units for low-income families. There has been deep support from voters and is well within the 2/3 rd threshold to pass the measure.	Action Item: Send out link to San Diego Housing Federation website and info on October conference. Completed 6/15/18.
VII.	Membership 12:30-12:35pm	 Remove Narri Cooper and Melissa Peterman from member list. Oasis: Reach out to Erica Vargas (Jill Yelnick has not attended) 	Action Item: Co-chair Lisa Huff will talk to Simonne and reach out to members who have not attended in 6 months and discuss replacing reps from org or opening up member slots.
VIII.	MHSA Update Adrienne Yancey/Marty Dare 12:35-12:40pm	No update.	
IX.	Stakeholder Updates 12:40-12:50pm MHSA Housing Program Simonne Ruff Employment Update Vianey del Ochoa	 MHSA Housing Program: no update Employment Update: no update 	
X.	BHS Housing Council Workgroup Lisa Huff in lieu of Simonne Ruff 12:50-1:00pm	 Housing supports for tenants – Renee discussed 3 ideas from NAMI and RII: Create a video interviewing peers who are living successfully in subsidies to address challenges, difficulties and how they overcame them, and how to live successfully with landlords. Create videos interviewing housing 	

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- authorities on different housing programs/subsidies
- Training for tenants on how to be successful in housing—will be gathering feedback from strength-based providers on topics.
- Discussed some of the criticisms of this year's
 Point in Time Count homeless report, such as
 populations left out of report/not counted, e.g.,
 individuals living in RVs.
- Housing Federation conference conflicts with October HC meeting - Lisa will talk to Simonne about what do to do about October HC meeting.
- Valerie Arita (Access to Independence)
 mentioned creating an app for housing
 availability a mobile platform that is being
 frequently updated so that it is current with realtime update. Looking to fund to build it out but
 also ongoing staffing. Idea needs further
 discussion/development. Need to reach out to
 stakeholders to see if there is a need.
- Possible speakers for upcoming meetings: new navigation center currently out for RFP; a presentation on the new storage center opening in Logan Heights.

NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, July 12, 2018 11:30am–1:00pm, 3851 Rosecrans St – CORONADO ROOM C

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