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Ellen Richardson-Adams, M. Ed.
Chair

Interagency Council on Homelessness

DRAFT MINUTES

of the

INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS

Video and Teleconference Meeting on

Friday, June 23, 2017

9a – Until Adjourned

Videoconference Locations:

Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH)

So. NV Adult Mental Health Services
6161 W. Charleston Blvd., *West Hall Conference Room*
Las Vegas, NV 89146

Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH)

4126 Technology Way
Conference Room 201
Carson City, NV 89706

I. Call to Order, Roll Call, Announcements

For Possible Action

Ellen Richardson-Adams, Chair of Interagency Council on Homelessness (ICH), called the meeting to order at 9:04a.

Members Present: Betsy Aiello, Anne Cory, Kyle Devine, Jennifer Frischmann, Amber Howell, CJ Manthe, Tony Ramirez, Ellen Richardson-Adams, Jenifer Rios, Kelly Robson, and Wendy Simons.

Members Absent: James Dzurenda, Steven Fisher, Michele Fuller-Hallauer, Dennis Perea, and Dena Schmidt.

Others Present: Anabel Ballard (DPBH administrative support), Kelly Marschall (Social Entrepreneurs Inc.), and Julie Slabaugh (Sr. Deputy Attorney General).

Announcements: Ellen Richardson-Adams announced the following new members: Kyle Devine (Bureau Chief, Bureau of Behavioral Health, Wellness, and Prevention - SAPTA),

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Amber Howell (ICH Co-Chair, Social Services Director, Washoe County), and Dena Schmidt (Deputy Director - Programs, DHHS).

II. Public Comment

No public comment.

III. Review of Meeting Minutes – 03/31/2017

For Possible Action

Meeting minutes for 03/31/2017 were reviewed. Date error was noted on page 1 as well as on page 3 (Item V, Workgroup 3, motion).

Anne Cory made a motion to approve the minutes with noted revisions. Kelly Robson seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

IV. Annual Letter/Report to Governor Sandoval

Members to submit any additional information they would like to include in the annual report/letter to Governor Sandoval no later than June 28th. Ellen Richardson-Adams thanked Sarah Yeats-Patrick and Kelly Marschall for their assistance in completing the report/letter.

V. Workgroup Updates

For Possible Action

Due to recent conclusion of Legislative Session, previously frozen positions are being thawed out. This will assist in filling vacant position previously filled by AA, Vanessa Pickles. Once filled, this AA will be able to provide clerical support to the workgroups. Ellen will send out information as soon as someone has been appointed to the position.

Tony Ramirez asked how long Ellen anticipated that the new clerical staff would need in order to get up to speed and ready to help with the workgroups. Ellen stated she anticipated end of July 2017. Wendy Simons offered to send Ellen the contact information for current DHHS staff that might be a good candidate to provide clerical assistance on Council. Kyle Devine stated they had just filled their vacant AA positions and should be able to provide assistance as well. Kyle will connect with Ellen offline for further discussion.

VI. Bylaws Committee Update

For Possible Action

Council reviewed proposed changes to Bylaws.

Article 1, Item F: Use HUD definition as proposed.

Article 2, Item C: To read *“Develop, monitor, and facilitate implementation.”*

Article 3: Several minor item changes. See Bylaws.

Article 4, Item D: Remove highlighted area that is no longer applicable.

Article 6: Formatting changes.

Article 7: Addition of Item F to read *“The Chair and/or Co-Chair of the subcommittees are Council members and appointed at ICH meetings.”* Addition of Item G to read: *“The Chair*

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and/or Co-Chair of the subcommittees may appoint members of the public who have relevant experience or knowledge to participate in their workgroups.”

Wendy Simons made a motion to approve Bylaws as revised and discussed. CJ Manthe seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

VII. Strategic Plan Goals and Strategies

For Possible Action

CJ Manthe stated she was in agreement that the Council should revisit the Strategic Plan by scheduling a Council meeting focused solely on the plan. Wendy Simons agreed that this would also help ensure that all the new members familiarize themselves with the plan. Tony Ramirez was in agreement and stated that it would also help the workgroups set their future plans and goals.

Wendy Simons motioned that Item VII, Strategic Plan Goals and Strategies, be listed as a single item on the next Council meeting agenda. Anne Cory seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

VIII. Medicaid Supportive Services Update

Jennifer Frischmann stated that Medicaid met with Clark and Washoe counties. Both meetings were very successful and they re-introduced the idea of partnering with the counties. Both counties agreed to run some analysis to determine if it was cost-beneficial for them to partner with them. Currently looking at setting up another meeting. Will have more information at next full ICH meeting.

IX. Continuum of Care (CoC) Updates

For Possible Action

Kelly Marschall stated that the 3 CoCs met in spring for a statewide meeting. It was determined that there was a need to revisit discharge planning. A statewide summit is being planned for September 19th. Group planning has decided to focus on adults being discharged from healthcare institutions. If it is determined to be successful, it could be replicated with criminal justice system and/or youth. Current invite list includes hospitals, behavioral health centers, health and human services in state, and law enforcement. Regional behavioral health coordinators are also part of the planning process and are expected to be lead in breakout sessions. Statewide CoC meeting is also scheduled for September 20th.

X. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Discussion

For Possible Action

Jean Barrette will be able to attend a future ICH meeting. She will be able to clarify and provide additional information. Shannon Earnst can also help clarify. 30-day public period is currently open. Will send out information to stakeholders that the public comment session is now open.

Tony Ramirez made a motion that the Chair or Co-Chair of the ICH inform stakeholders that 30-day public comment period for CDBG funds is now open and they are invited to provide input if they would like. Jennifer Frischmann seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

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XI. Set Date and Time of Next Meeting and Discuss Future Agenda Items *For Possible Action*

Strategic Plan meeting will be scheduled for July 27, 2017 at 9a. Will also revisit workgroups members and will invite the new AA that will be assisting with coordinating the workgroups.

XII. Public Comment

CJ Manthe shared that the Housing Division is adding the first allocation of the federal housing trust funds, equaling 3 million dollars from the federal government to help support the construction of new housing for individuals with a lower income. This additional funding should help support two projects this year. CJ will update ICH when more everything is finalized.

Kelly Robson stated that the Shannon West Homeless Youth Center will be hosting their grand opening on July 14th. All who can attend are welcome to come and show their support.

XIII. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 10:14a.