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Housing, Homeless and Neighborhood Development (HHAND) Advisory Commission SUMMARY MEETING MINUTES

November 07, 2018 FINAL



Call to Order

The Housing, Homeless and Neighborhood Development (HHAND) Advisory Commission was called to order at 4:06 pm at the Department of Health and Human Services, 825 L Street Room 423, Anchorage, Alaska. The meeting was staffed by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Housing & Community Services Division (HCSD), Community Safety and Development (CSD).

I. Roll Call

Commissioners Present	Commissioners Absent	Guests
Claire Waddoup, 1st Co-Chair	Doug Lamkin, Chair (E)	Tyler Robinson, Cook Inlet
Niki Burrows		Housing
Noel Rea		Rose Hubbard, Homeless
S J Klein		Camps
John Kim		Elaine Phillips, Habitat
Chelsea Owens		For Humanity
DHHS Staff		Isabella Dannenberg,
James Boehm, CSD Senior		Habitat for Humanity
Neighborhood Planner		

II. Approval of November 7, 2018 HHAND Agenda

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MOTION: Commissioner Klein
SECOND: Commissioner Burrows
DISCUSSION: No discussion Agenda Approved.
VOTE: Unanimous

III. Approval of HHAND October 3, 2018 Minutes

MOTION: Commissioner Burrows
SECOND: Commissioner Kim
DISCUSSION : Minutes Approved
VOTE: Unanimous

IV. Conflict of Interest Declarations & Annual Disclosure of Present Economic Interest

There were none.

V. Public Comments

Rose Hubbard, Anchorage Communal Homeless Camps Project spoke of the presentations she gave to various organizations. She notified the commission that she has established a face book page a web site and is actively moving forward with the project.

VI. OLD Business

A. There are two resolutions to go the Assembly that must have exact wording of what is wanted and what needs to be done regarding the Citizen Participation Plan and the HHAND Commission. These will be tabled until the next meeting.

Co-Chair Waddoup asked for a list of the reports that CSD puts together on an annual basis and when they come out for public comment. Mr. Boehm informed everybody there are three reports; the Consolidated Plan every 5 years, the annual Action Plan is started in December the year before it has to be turned in. HUD has a new ruling that the reports cannot be turned in until they decide what the funding is going to be. The CAPER which is the Annual Performance and Evaluation Report that's due the end of March every year is started in January with the public comment period is held in March.

VII. NEW Business

A. Tyler Robinson, Vice President of Community Development, Real Estate and Planning Cook Inlet Housing – The Compact

Tyler Robinson introduced himself, then along with Commissioner S.J. Klein gave a slide presentation on a design competition about building three units or more on a standard 50' wide lot in Fairview. They announced there will be a presentation by their six teams during the First Friday Event December 7, 2018 at the museum and there will be a prize for the design winner. Questions followed.

B. Co-Chair Waddoup – Impact of Bus Barn on Tudor

Co-Chair Waddoup tabled the impact of the bus barn until the next meeting.

C. Commissioner Kim – Science of Helping

Commissioner Kim spoke of value of the HHAND Commission working with the homeless population and the meaning of poverty and its consequences. He referenced marketwatch.com, a pretty liable source. The landscape here is not as dire as in the third world countries where their systems are broken, but ours is not. The assumptions here are driven by the media showing these areas of broken systems which cause people to blindly and generously enable the wrong people, those that choose that lifestyle; and that's how we perpetuate chronic homeless issues pretty much anywhere.

- Problem No. 1 is we don't know how to help. We give to them because we feel bad
 for them but by enabling them with years and years of generosity they have no drive
 or pressure to become productive citizens which prevents transformational
 development. Organizations are handing out without any expectations, they are doing
 all the work and the people on the other end are receiving. Not everybody receives
 help and resources are spread thin.
- Problem No. 2 is the lack of law enforcement because there is a lack of everything. If they break the law, you can't arrest your way out of this situation.
- Problem No. 3 is the misplacement of people. There are people at Brother Francis Shelter who are in their 80's who can barely bathe themselves but just given a bed.

There are people with schizophrenia, people who are mentally ill and cannot support or take care of themselves.

How do we help? A book titled "When Helping Hurts" by Steve Corbett and Brian Fikkert categorizes help in three different ways:

- a) Relief temporary, providing relief for people who need it.
- b) Rehab for people who have addictions.
- c) Development for people who need life skills and can learn to be responsible.

Questions from commissioners followed.

D. Commissions Approach to the Anchored Home Initiative

This is to be tabled until the next meeting when Chair Lamkin returns.

Chair Waddoup asked for additional comments from guests.

Elaine Phillips noted that she submitted an application for the HHAND Commission. Mr. Boehm responded that her application was on the schedule for the Assembly.

VIII. Reports

A. Subcommittee Reports

There were none

B. Commissioners Comments

Christopher Constant came to the Fairview Community Council last month and requested that we move a resolution asking the city to add budget for a mental health coordinator.

Do we want to take a position on the fact that API is almost an empty building?

Co-Chair Waddoup suggested that all commissioners take a look at last year's CAPER, which should be on the web site. Mr. Boehm explained the projects in the CAPER.

C. MOA Representative's Report

Mr. Boehm informed the commission that he is the staff person that will be attending the meetings and asked to be kept in the loop on correspondence.

Chair Waddoup asked if the commissioners would be interested in having a representative from Parks & Rec.

IX. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 5:32 pm.

Next meeting Wednesday December 5, 2018 at DHHS, 825 L Street Room 423 from 4:00 to 5:30 pm.