



SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING COMMISSION TO END HOMELESSNESS

Wednesday, February 15, 2023 1:00 P.M.

County Conference Center
Room 104/106
425 West Santa Ana Boulevard, Santa Ana, CA 92701

Don Wagner, Third District Supervisor, Chair	Monique Davis, Business Representative
Vicente Sarmiento, Second District Supervisor	Jack Toan, Business Representative
James Vanderpool, North Service Planning Area	AJ Patella, Orange County Sheriff's Department
Scott Stiles, Central Service Planning Area	George Searcy, Affordable Housing Industry Representative
Debra Rose, South Service Planning Area	Richard Afable, Behavioral Health Representative, Vice Chair
Sue Parks, Philanthropic Representative	Paul Wyatt, At Large Member
Robert Dunn, Chief of Police Representative	Milo Peinemann, At Large Member
Sean DeMetropolis, Municipal Fire Department Rep	Todd Spitzer, District Attorney
Christy Cornwall, Hospital Representative	Vacant, Continuum of Care Board Representative
Nesan Kistan, Faith-based Community Representative	Vacant, Continuum of Care Board Representative

ATTENDANCE: Commissioners Afable, Cornwall, Davis, DeMetropolis, Dunn, Parks, Patella, Peinemann, Rose, Sarmiento, Searcy, Spitzer, Stiles, Toan, Vanderpool, Wagner and Wyatt

ABSENT: Commissioner Kistan

PRESENT: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Doug Becht, Director of Care Coordination
CLERK OF THE COMMISSION Valerie Sanchez, Chief Deputy Clerk

Call to Order

COMMISSION VICE CHAIR AFABLE CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 1:04 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

COMMISSION VICE CHAIR AFABLE LED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Roll Call

THE CLERK CALLED THE ROLL AND CONFIRMED QUORUM WAS MET

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DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Office of Care Coordination Update
 - a. Membership Updates
 - b. Cold Weather Emergency Shelter
 - c. Homeless Service System Pillars Report
 - d. Request for Proposals

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR BECHT ANNOUNCED COMMISSIONER SCOTT STILES WILL BE LEAVING THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE FOR THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CREATING CENTRAL SPA REPRESENTATIVE VACANCY. DIRECTOR BECHT ALSO ANNOUNCED A COLD WEATHER SHELTER HAD OPENED IN FULLERTON. THE HOMELESS SERVICES PILLARS REPORT WILL BE USED TO ENSURE THAT SERVICES AND CONTRACTS FOR SERVICES IDENTIFY THE PILLAR(S) THEY FALL UNDER. OFFICE OF CARE COORDINATION WILL BE RELEASING AN RFP TO CONTRACT FOR SERVICES FOR 2024 POINT IN TIME COUNT

PRESENTATION

2. 2022 Housing Funding Strategy Update – Julia Bidwell and Michelle Zdeba, OC Community Resources, Housing & Community Development

JULIA BIDWELL FROM OC COMMUNITY RESOURCES, HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OUTLINED THE 2022 UPDATES TO THE 2018 HOUSING FUNDING STRATEGY BASED ON NEW DATA FROM THE 2022 POINT IN TIME COUNT

ACTION ITEMS

3. Approve Commission to End Homelessness minutes from the December 14, 2022 regular meeting

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APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED

4. Nominate and appoint new Chair and Vice Chair to the Commission to End Homelessness

ON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER SEARCY AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SARMIENTO, THE COMMISSION NOMINATED AND APPOINTED COMMISSIONER WAGNER AS CHAIR AND COMMISSIONER AFABLE AS VICE-CHAIR

SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES

5. 2023 Homeless Survey Recommendations
- a. Approve the 2023 Homeless Survey methodology
 - b. Approve creation of an Ad Hoc to assist in the data analysis and review of the results of the survey

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APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED

6. Approve Appointment of Maricela Rios-Faust and Robert Morse to Continuum of Care representative seats for the term February 16, 2023 – February 15, 2025

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APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Charles – Oral Re: City Planner for City of Anaheim and also enrolled in college and working on a project for school on justifying the costs for Permanent Supportive Housing (cost per unit v. cost of emergency and crisis services); when provided housing, service utilization declines providing a cost savings that offsets the cost per unit.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Wagner – Oral re: Thanked Commissioner Searcy for nomination to chair; Thanked Doug Chaffee for his service on the Commission; Announced Heath Care Agency’s gift card program is a success in helping individuals come to their appointments; another incentive to offer for receiving services is through providing help for their pets because often an individual will be motivated to do for their pet what they won’t do for themselves.

Commissioner Searcy – Oral re: Diving into the cost of providing housing, the Turner Center for Housing Innovation provides an analysis of cost drivers if needed for a discussion and deeper dive into the data behind the costs.

ADJOURNED: 2:49 P.M.

NEXT MEETING: April 19, 2023, 1:00 P.M.

SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES

*** VOTE KEY ***

(1st number = Moved by; 2nd number = Seconded by)

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| 1 Don Wagner, Chair | |
| 2 Richard Afable, Vice Chair | |
| 3 Monique Davis | A = Abstained |
| 4 Sean DeMetropolis | X = Excused |
| 5 Robert Dunn | V = Vacant |
| 6 Christy Cornwall | N = No |
| 7 Nesan Kistan | C.O. = Commission Order |
| 8 Sue Parks | |
| 9 Milo Peinemann | |
| 10 AJ Patella | |
| 11 George Searcy | |
| 12 Paul Wyatt | |
| 13 Todd Spitzer | |
| 14 Scott Stiles | |
| 15 Jack Toan | |
| 16 James Vanderpool | |
| 17 Vicente Sarmiento | |
| 18 Debra Rose | |

Signature on File

SUPERVISOR DON WAGNER
Chair

Signature on File

Valerie Sanchez, Chief Deputy Clerk
Clerk of the Commission

Commission to End Homelessness

February 15, 2023



Discussion Item 1

Office of Care Coordination Update

Membership Updates

- Welcome Supervisor Vicente Sarmiento, Second District
- Welcome Monique Davis from Habitat for Humanity of Orange County, as the Business Representative
- Thank you to Scott Stiles, City Manager from Garden Grove, as the Central Service Planning Area Representative

Discussion Item 1

Office of Care Coordination Update

Cold Weather Emergency Shelter

- Located at Independence Park Gymnasium
- Operated by PATH
- Began operations on February 1, 2023
- Capacity to serve 90 individuals experiencing unsheltered homelessness on a first come first serve basis
- Two pick up locations in Fullerton to facility, no walk ups allowed to facility
- Will provide a hot dinner and bagged breakfast, access to restrooms and showers, case management support, and linkages to other homeless service programs

Discussion Item 1

Office of Care Coordination Update

Homeless Service System Pillars Report

- Working with County Procurement Office to:
 - Understand the number of contracts and services that align with the services as described in the report
 - Incorporate the definition, best practices, and guiding principles into new solicitations and contracted services
 - Incorporate an annual review process related to adherence to report during renewals
- Working with County Departments to:
 - Identify County provided services and resources as described in the report
 - Discuss possible trainings and technical assistance to be provided to best align with best practices and guiding principles

Discussion Item 1

Office of Care Coordination Update

Request for Proposal

- Homeless Point In Time (PIT) Count Professional Services
 - Will support the planning, implementation, and reporting services for the Homeless PIT count efforts in partnership with the Orange County Continuum of Care
 - **Bid Number:** 017-23010762-CR
 - **Bid Ends:** March 2, 2023, at 2:00 p.m.

Presentation Item 2

Housing Funding Strategy: 2022 Update

- Presentation to be provided by Julia Bidwell and Michelle Zdeba from OC Community Resources, Housing & Community Development



OC Community Resources

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Community Development

2022 Housing Funding Strategy Update

Julia Bidwell, Director, OC HCD
**Michelle Zdeba, Affordable Housing
Development Manager, OC HCD**
February 2023

February 15, 2023- Commission to End Homelessness



BACKGROUND

The 2018 Housing Funding Strategy was created as a regional plan based on the 2017 Point in Time Count and identified the need for:

- Development of 2,700 units of supportive housing, and
- Financial resources to achieve that goal.

The 2022 Housing Funding Strategy Update is based on the 2022 Homeless Point-in-Time count and provides a:

- Progress report on the 2,700-unit goal for 2025
- Revised housing unit goal for 2029
- Recommendations for an updated strategic approach



PROGRESS REPORT

- 1,643 supportive housing units are projected to be produced by 2025

• Units Completed	362
• Units Under Construction	507
• Units In Financing	304
• Units Projected to be completed by 2025	470

TOTAL **1,643**

- Results in a gap of 1,057 supportive housing units still needed to achieve the original goal of 2,700 units.



PROGRESS REPORT

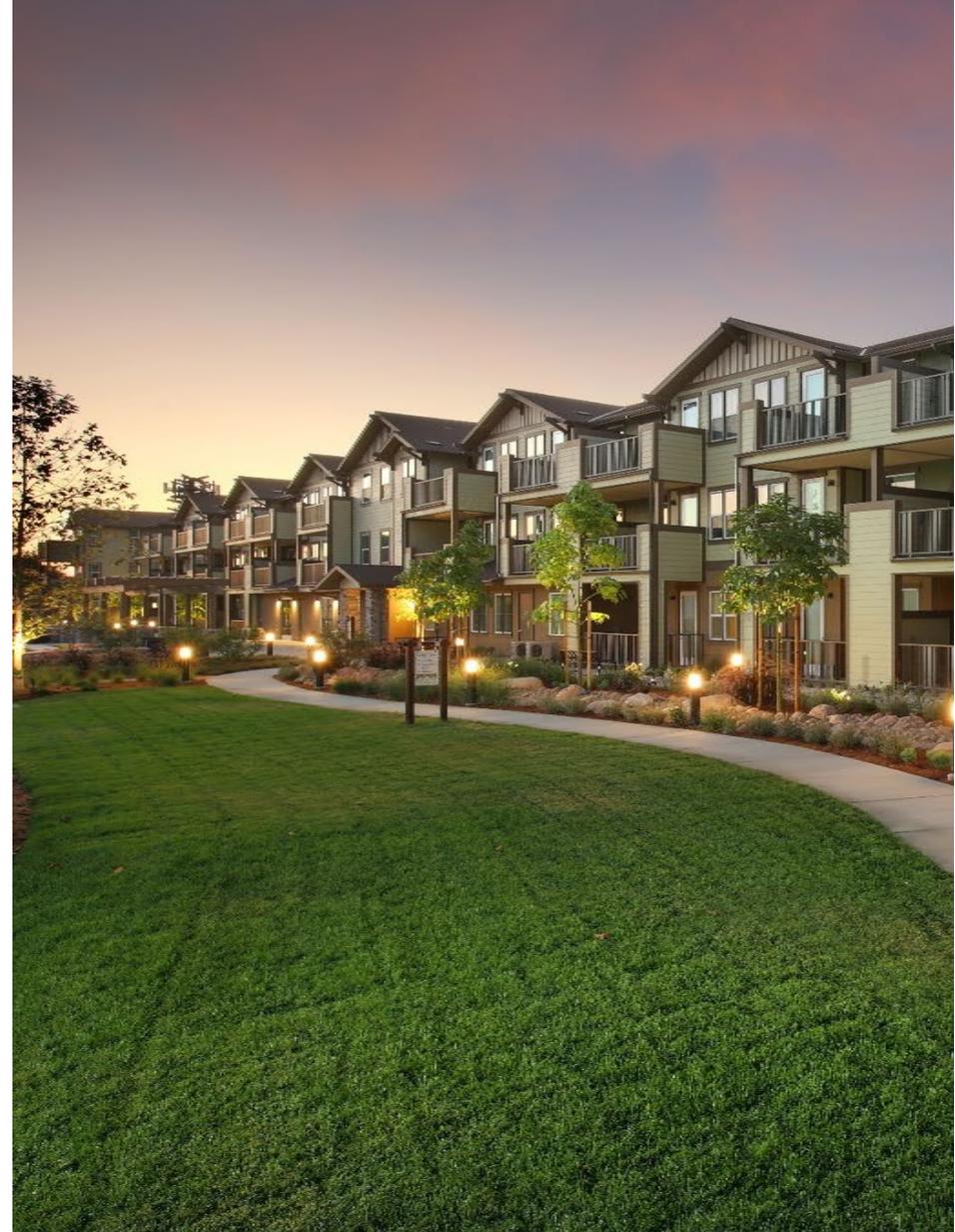
Factors affecting progress:

- Capital funding for supportive housing development increased
- Increased costs of housing construction due to:
 - COVID-19 global pandemic impacts,
 - Supply chain issues and related delays,
 - Staffing shortages, and
 - Inflation.
- Magnitude of the cost increase:
 - Was unanticipated
 - Greatly impacted the supportive housing pipeline
 - Limited unit production



UPDATED UNIT GOAL

- The 2022 Housing Funding Strategy Update calls for 2,396 units of supportive housing by 2029 based on the 2022 Point in Time Count.
- These units are a subset of the units already included in the region's Regional Housing Needs Assessment numbers that are being incorporated into city and county Housing Elements.
- Current projections to complete this estimate a funding gap of
 - \$458 million in capital, and
 - \$495 million in operating subsidies for 2,396 units
 - \$350 million in supportive services for 2,396 units



RECOMMENDATIONS

- **Maximize competitiveness** for funding by aligning local, flexible resource commitments.
- **Dedicate additional funding** and continue to refine policies to maximize developers' ability to attract investors.
- **Maximize ability to use all vouchers** for project-basing up to the caps allowed for the available tenant-based vouchers.
- **Continue investments** in the Orange County Housing Finance Trust.
- **Explore Permanent Local Housing Allocation funding** and the possibility of investing funds in supportive housing production or operations.
- **Prioritize supportive housing** for people experiencing chronic homelessness, and design and invest in supportive housing resources for special populations.
- **Build partnerships** with mainstream supportive services (including CalOptima).
- **Build on collaborative regional investments** in supportive housing development and pursue an expanded Coordinated Funding structure.
- **Incorporate the Housing Pillar commitments** included in the Homeless Systems Pillar Report.



OC Community Resources

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Community Development



QUESTIONS?

Action Item 3

Recommended Action

Approve Commission to End Homelessness minutes from December 14, 2022, regular meeting.

Action Item 4

Recommended Action

Nominate and appoint new Chair and Vice Chair to the Commission to End Homelessness

Action Item 5

2023 Survey Recommendations

Update of 2023 Survey development with Ad Hoc

- Met with ad hoc membership on three separate occasions
- Discussion on scope and purpose of 2023 Survey
- Circulated drafts of 2023 Survey for edits and feedback
- On February 7, 2023, the Board of Supervisors approved contract with City Net for provision of professional and technical support to administer the 2023 Survey

Action Item 5

2023 Survey Recommendations

2023 Survey – Question Sections

- Demographics
- Current Living Situation
 - At Risk of Homelessness
 - Shelter Feedback
 - Outreach Feedback
- Community Ties
- Barriers and Challenges

Action Item 5

2023 Survey Recommendations

2023 Survey Methodology

- Representative sample of the 2022 Point In Time
- Mapping activities
- Surveying activities
- Data entry and database management
- Reporting and analysis

Action Item 5

2023 Survey Recommendations

Recommended Actions

- Approve the 2023 Survey methodology
- Create an Ad Hoc to assist in the data analysis and review of the results of the 2023 Survey

Action Item 6

Continuum of Care Board Representatives

- The two Continuum of Care (CoC) Board Representative seats are now vacant
- At the January 2023, the CoC Board recommended Maricela Rios-Faust and Robert Morse to serve in this capacity

Action Item 6

Continuum of Care Board Representatives

Maricela Rios Faust

- Has served as a member of the CoC Board for the past four years as the Domestic Violence Representative
- Serves as the Chief Executive Officer for Human Options
- Has over 30 years of experience working with vulnerable populations

Robert Morse

- Joined the CoC Board in January 2023 as the At-Large Seat Representative for Older Adults
- Experienced over 10 years of unsheltered homelessness
- Serves in other boards and committees related to homelessness matters
- Served as a provider director for five years

Action Item 6

Continuum of Care Board Representatives

Recommended Action

Approve appointment of Maricela Rios-Faust and Robert Morse to Continuum of Care Board Representative Seats for the term February 16, 2023, to February 15, 2025.