MINUTES **Housing and Human Services Advisory Board**

Thursday, November 30th, 2021 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

This was a digital meeting. Members of the public could participate electronically in the meeting or by telephone. Call in number: 888 788 0099. Zoom link: https://a2gov.zoom.us/j/91975125449?pwd=cnpCWnZLWmtiSFIIUmxsL2dZR3INUT09

Members Present: Anna Erickson, Anna Foster, Skylar Woodson, Paul Sher, Amanda Carlisle, Eleanor Pollack, James Daniel, David Blanchard, Nora Wright (Councilmember Linh Song and Councilmember Travis Radina)

Members Absent: Emily Canosa, Ella Hall, Staff Present: Teresa Gillotti, India Williams, Jennifer Hall

I. Convene Meeting:

A. Foster, chair, convened meeting at 6:36pm

II. Roll Call

Anna Erickson, Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County
Anna Foster, chair, Ypsilanti, Washtenaw County
Skylar Woodson, S.E. Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County
Paul Sher, Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County
Linh Song, Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County
Amanda Carlisle, Pittsfield Township, Washtenaw County
Eleanor Pollack, Ann Arbor, Washtenaw
James Daniel, Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County
Travis Radina, Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County
David Blanchard, Ann Arbor, Washtenaw
Nora Wright, Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County

III. Public Comment

Elliot B- University of Michigan Medical Student: Called in about a group of friends that are homeless and being mistreated by the Washtenaw County Police Department by having their personal items such as sleeping bags and coats thrown away. People are being hurt by these camp sweeps. Why are these camp sweeps happening?

III. Approval of Agenda

IV. Approval of Minutes for September 2021

Moved by Anna Erickson; Seconded by Amanda Carlisle with changes, Motion passed unanimously

- Amanda amendment- listed as present but was not on roll call.
- Eleanor was absent.
- Jennifer is not a member but listed as member.
- Nora was present but was not on roll call or present list.
- David, James, Eleanor was absent.
- Sharde is not supposed to be listed as a member.

V. <u>Business</u>

- a) <u>2022 Work Plan Approval (Teresa Gillotti-All)</u>: Approved by: Amanda Carlisle, Seconded by: David Blanchard, all in favor of work plan
 - Education Series on affordable housing- to learn more about funding for affordable housing- A draft will be done in July.
 - Working through new human services partnership to replace coordinated funding.
 - Updates in be available soon for zoning changes.
 - Members added suggestions to the work plan that they would like to see implemented.
 Things added to the list were supportive housing, homelessness response updates,
 renters commission building.

b) Conflict of Interest Disclosures (India Williams):

- Please complete and return the annual disclosures (fillable pdf) to India Williams
 via Email by the end of the year
- c) <u>2022 HHASB Calendar Approval (Teresa Gillotti- All):</u> Approved by: Skylar Woodman, seconded by: Eleanor Pollack, all in favor- passed unanimously
 - Meetings will be held in person starting in 2022. We will meet in the lower conference on 200 N. Main downtown Ann Arbor. We are hoping to set up the room with camera that public are still able to join meeting via Zoom.

- Only exempt for those with medical conditions or if you are in the military
- Mask are required during meetings

d) <u>Elections (ALL):</u> Approved by David Blanchard, seconded by Paul Sher, passed with roll call from voting members, James, Anna, Eleanor, Skylar, Nora, Amanda, A Foster

- Eleanor can't run for vice chair because of personal complications. Cannot guarantee she will be able to make all meetings
- A Foster would like to give her chair position to someone else due to move, or else has asked if someone would like to be co-chair.
- Co chairs nominated and approved are Skylar Woodson and Anna Foster.

From the bylaws: The officers of the Board shall be a Chair and Vice-Chair. The officers shall be elected each year from among the voting members of the Board. The officers shall be elected for a one-year term by a majority of the voting members currently serving on the Board. No member shall serve more than three (3) consecutive one-year terms in one office. [The term of the officers shall run from January 1 to December 31 of each year.

VI. **Updates**

e) New Human Services Partnership update (Teresa Gillotti)

Both Ann Arbor City Council and Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners will be considering staff recommendation for 6 month transition grants from Jan. 1, 2022, to June 30, 2022 to allow the City and County leadership teams time to finalize the new model and announce upcoming funding rounds. Once finalized, updated awards will be posted at: https://www.washtenaw.org/3422/New-Human-Services-Partnership-Planning

- Washtenaw County Board votes tomorrow night.
- City council will be having a meeting on December 6th
- If approved, contracts will be executed by the end of the year and already to go by January.

f) Winter Warming Shelter (Teresa Gillotti)

 Daytime warming Shelters in Ypsilanti is Freighthouse Mon-Thurs. Daytime shelter in Ann Arbor rotates monthly

- Overnight Rotating shelters are in Ann Arbor.
- More information about Winter Warming Shelters can be found on Washtenaw.org website.

g) CERA Updates

- We have now spent over \$10 million dollars in the past year for CERA
- We are working with MSHDA with additional cases for Washtenaw County
- Waiting for confirmation from MSHDA to see if people can still receive assistance until the end of the year
- Waiting to get the approval of the additional funds that are left over.
- Will give more updates once we have received more information.

VII. City Council Member Update

Travis Radina:

- Finished update from last meeting regarding recruiting appointees to begin the renter's commission. He would us to encourage people to apply
- Currently there are 15 applicants but would like to see more and get the group going strong

Linh Song:

- Getting an update soon about the crisis response.
- Extending Social Service funding.
- Milton Dohoney has joined as the interim city administrator for a limited time and has been such a great addition to the team since joining.

VIII. General Updates

Jennifer Hall:

• Updated us on the list of properties including 415 W, Washington, Kerrytown parking lot, 121 E. Catherine, 353 South Main Street and many more.

Teresa Gillotti:

 Received more updates regarding Winter Warming Shelters. 70% are vaccinated, they have a back up location incase of emergency, have not seen many covid cases since April

IX. Public Comment

Elliot B weighed in a little more about his concern with the homeless camp sweeps, He gave locations of where this incident is occurring which is loser to Miller Parking. Elliot has emailed the administrator and the chief of Washtenaw County for an update regarding the situation.

Elliot also mentioned covid numbers and bathroom use for homeless people.

A. Foster Request for homelessness data, flu vaccine rates, vaccination rates, and Covid rates. A Foster mentioned if bathroom use was still available at Liberty Plaza. A Foster- are there rules for public policing on public land

T. Gillotti gave update that public bathrooms are available nearby in AAATA Blake Transit center and library. L. Song also noted Library has extended hours.

Teresa gave an update on an incident that happened at Liberty Plaza

X. Adjournment

Motion by: Nora Wright.; Seconded by: Anna Erickson; Motion passed unanimously. A. Foster, chair, adjourned meeting at 7:49pm