

Housing for Health Partnership Policy Board Regular Meeting Minutes August 17, 2022; 4 pm – no later than 7 pm

INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Present: Heather Rogers, JP Butler, Jamie Goldstein, Judy Hutchison, Larry Imwalle, Manu Koenig, Mariah Lyons, Martine Watkins, Rachel Dann (for Supervisor Ryan Coonerty), Stephanie Sonnenshine, Susan True, Suzi Merriam, Tamara Vides, Tiffany Cantrell-Warren

Absent: None

- 2. Additions and Deletions to the Agenda: *None*
- 3. Approval of Minutes: It was moved to approve the June 8, 2022 Board minutes pending corrections to meeting notes to indicate Board members that made and seconded a motion and a recording of the votes on the motion.

Motion to Approve: Jamie Goldstein
Motion Seconded: Manu Koenig
Abstentions: Rachel Dann

Board Action: All in favor, motion passed.

- 4. Announcements/Information Sharing
 No comments, questions, or additional announcements made.
- 5. Public Comment No public comment received.

ACTION ITEMS

6. Ratify the submission of four California Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) applications as authorized by electronic vote among Policy Board members prior to the application submission deadline of April 17, 2022.

Discussion: Discussed virtual voting not allowed per Brown Act process. Board members recommended staff consult with County Counsel on appropriate procedures going forward. Suggestion made to have Board appoint an executive committee to make certain decisions for the Board within a certain threshold or to call a special meeting.

Public Comment: None.

Motion: Approve staff recommendations regarding ESG funding applications.

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Motion to Approve: Jamie Goldstein. Motion Seconded: Judy Hutchison.

Abstentions: None.

Board Action: All in favor, motion passed.

7. Establish and authorize a HUD CoC Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) application review committee of 4-6 non-conflicted individuals from the CoC Policy Board to complete an application review and ranking process on or before September 14, 2022 for the: 1) 2022 CoC Program Competition and Non-Competitive Award of Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants; and 2) Supplemental Notice of Funding Opportunity to Address Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness.

Discussion: Sheryl Norteye (H4H staff member) provided an overview of the HUD FY 2022 CoC NOFO. Discussed the need to solicit applications for renewals, new projects, new DV bonus projects, and Unsheltered NOFO. Concerns and questions were raised about soliciting applications for projects and the consequences of not receiving applications for specific funding opportunities. Board members suggested reaching out to organizations that may have an interest in this funding opportunity. Discussed letters of commitment needed and explanation of the separate application types needed for this fiscal year. Discussed lack of building-based supportive housing units within the County and the challenges of pairing supportive services with scattered site permanent supportive housing within the County. Asked for volunteers for HUD NOFO rating and ranking subcommittee. Heather Rogers, Judy Hutchison, Larry Imwalle volunteered. Suggestion to recruit at least one subcommittee member with lived experience of homelessness. Robert Ratner volunteered to recruit at least one additional member with lived experience.

Public Comment on Item: None.

Motion to Approve H4H staff to prepare a backup rental assistance proposal for the unsheltered NOFO if a qualifying local application is not received: Manu Koenig

Motion Seconded: Tamara Vides (with comment for staff to consider partnership with Monterey County)

Abstentions: None.

Board Action: All in favor, motion passed.

Motion to approve creation of a HUD CoC NOFO subcommittee of 4-6 members with at least one member with lived experiencing homelessness and for a Policy Board special meeting on or before September 15, 2022 to take action on the subcommittee recommendations: Tamara Vides

Motion Seconded: Suzi Merriam.

Abstentions: None.

Yes votes: Heather Rogers, JP Butler, Jamie Goldstein, Judy Hutchison, Larry Imwalle, Manu Koenig, Mariah Lyons, Martine Watkins, Rachel Dann (for Supervisor Ryan Coonerty), Stephanie Sonnenshine, Susan True, Suzi Merriam, Tamara Vides.

No vote: Tiffany Cantrell-Warren. Board Action: Motion passed.

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DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 8. August 9, 2022 County Board of Supervisors Housing for Healthy Santa Cruz Update Presentation includes Project Homekey, PIT count, and other updates. Opportunity for Policy Board members to review and discuss materials.
 - Robert Ratner provided a brief review of materials including in the meeting packet including a summary of initial PIT count results and highlighting gaps in achieving very low income RHNA housing goals across nearly all jurisdictions within the County. a brief highlight on the PIT count report and being behind in the RHNA goals across all jurisdictions. Discussions wereheld on using materials from work done by Andrew Henning on Housing and Homelessness.
- 9. Review and feedback to staff on the utility of visual diagrams outlining factors contributing to homelessness, a "system" map, and system flow diagrams.
 - Board provided feedback on visual diagrams included in the Board packet. Board members generally supported the use of visual tools for community education and information but felt the materials in the packet were too detailed. There was a general recommendation to staff to breakdown information into smaller, easier to understand visuals.
- 10. Next Regular Meeting October 19, 2022 @ 4 pm. *Special meeting to get scheduled prior to September* 15, 2022.

MEETING ADJOURNED