



SGVCOG Homelessness Committee Approved Minutes

Date: June 5, 2019

Time: 8:30 AM

Location: West Covina Council Chambers Meeting Room; 1444 W. Garvey Avenue
South, West Covina, California 91790

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 8:30 AM
2. Introductions
3. Roll Call

Homeless Committee Members Present

Y. Ruizesparza, Baldwin Park
J. Leone, Claremont
K. Davis, Glendora
B. Shevlin, Monrovia
M. Clark, Rosemead
B. DeFrank, Pomona

Homeless Committee Members Absent

T. Paras-Caracci, Duarte
L. Johnson, West Covina
F. Briones, LA County District 1

Ex Officio Member Present

B. Huang, Pasadena

Ex Officio Members Absent

J. Lyons, SGV Consortium on Homelessness

Guests

E. Ben-Ishai, LA County HI
A. Hegdahl, Irwindale
L. Colchado, LA County HI
R. Corral, Corral Consulting
M. Covarrubias, Montebello
S. Morrissey, USHS
S. Chamberlain, SGV Consortium
S. Balli, Irwindale
L. Kane, SGV Consortium

D. Lopez, Glendora
T. Hadloc, Duarte
D. Alcedo, LAHSA
Y. Ruizesparza, Baldwin Park
M Norden-Bright, Claremont
A. Ovalle, LA County CEO
E. Ben-Ishai, County HI
B. Sandoval, Everyone In

SGVCOG Staff

J. Cicco

K. Ward

4. Public Comment
Scott Chamberlain advised that the Consortium will hold a Homeless Summit on June 29, 2019 in the Hughes Center in Claremont. He introduced the Consortium's new staff member, Lee Kane.
5. Changes to Agenda Order: There were no changes to the agenda order.

CONSENT CALENDAR

6. Homelessness Meeting Minutes
There was a motion to approve consent calendar item 5 (M/S: K. Davis/ M. Clark)

[Motion Passed]

AYES:	Baldwin Park, Claremont, Glendora, Monrovia, Rosemead, Pomona
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	Duarte, LA County District 1, West Covina

PRESENTATIONS

6. Homeless Count 2019 Results, Pasadena and Los Angeles County
 Clementina Verjan and Sabrina De Santiago provided the results of the 2019 Point-in-Time Homeless Count in Los Angeles County and Ex Officio Member Bill Huang provided information on the Pasadena Count. The LA Count data was highlighted with San Gabriel Valley data where available. Both LA County and Pasadena provided analysis regarding successes and challenges highlighted by the data.
7. Homeless Initiative Quarterly Report #13
 Elizabeth Ben-Ishai provided data on the Homeless Initiative efforts from June 2017 through March 2019. The Committee members discussed the implication of the Count, the Homeless Initiative and Measure H. Member Clark inquired about the likely percentage of mental illness and substance abuse within the homeless population. Member Leano explored how accessory dwelling unit incentives support success. Member Davis emphasized the importance of prevention to stem the inflow into homelessness. Member DeFrank noted that the impact of a shelter in the community is a visible reduction in street homelessness. A presentation on homeless prevention was requested for a future meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

8. AB 302 (Berman)
 Staff provided an overview of AB 302 (Berman) Parking: Homeless Students. Ex Officio Member Huang provided the City of Pasadena’s concerns regarding this measure. He noted that, although the bill’s language was recently changed to allow for funding to support community colleges’ implementation of the program, he found in his discussion with Pasadena City College that the colleges are concerned about full reimbursement from the State in a timely fashion. Additional concerns about successfully managing the efforts of friends and family members that may attempt to join students in the parking program. Other areas of concern are managing the use of restrooms and shower and implementing effective security in such a setting. The City of Pasadena has submitted a letter of opposition to the measure.

There was a motion to recommend a letter of opposition to AB 302 from the SGVCOG Governing Board (M/S: B. DeFrank/ M. Clark)

[Motion Passed]

AYES:	Baldwin Park, Claremont, Glendora, Monrovia, Rosemead, Pomona
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	Duarte, LA County District 1, West Covina

UPDATE ITEMS

8. Legislative Updates

LA County Chief Executive Office Legislative Analyst, Angela Ovalle, provided information on the following items: SB 329 (Mitchell) – Source of Income Discrimination; AB 653 (Bloom) – West LA Armory Bridge Housing; AB 36 (Bloom) – Rent Control; AB 1481 (Bonta) – Just Cause Evictions; AB 1482 (Chiu) – Annual Rent Increase Caps; SB 18 (Skinner) – Tenant Protection in Foreclosed Property. She additionally informed the Committee about the status of the Governor’s, Assembly’s and Senate’s budgeted homeless packages. The County of Los Angeles sponsored SB 329, which would prohibit discrimination by landlords against tenants who receive housing rental subsidies or housing vouchers and AB 653, which would authorize the State to lease a portion of the West L.A. Armory to the County for the construction of a year-round bridge housing project. The legislature and the Governor will negotiate on budget language for the identified \$650,000,000 in one-time funds identified for homeless programs to determine whether these funds will be allocated to counties as well as to large cities (with populations over 300,000) and continua of care.

9. Measure H and the Homeless Initiative

CEO Staff, Elizabeth Ben-Ishai, provided updates on Measure H funding allocations and grants and the Homeless Initiative. The resubmission of the 2018 Implementation RFPs has been extended to May 15, 2019. Committee members asked if the CEO will recommend the allocation of new Measure H funds for cities in the 2019-20 County Budget. Ms. Ben-Ishai stated that, although no new funds will be recommended, unallocated funds will be carried forward. The amount of the carry forward is not known at this time.

COMMITTEE MEMBER ITEMS

10. RHTF Working Group

Due to time constraints, the Working Group will submit its report in writing to the Homelessness Committee at a future date.

CHAIR’S REPORT

11. Solicitation of presentation topics

In addition to the recommendation for a meeting focused upon homelessness prevention, the members requested a meeting to provide information on mental health and substance abuse programs

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 AM