



**SGVCOG Homelessness Committee Approved Minutes**

Date: May 1, 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 8:33 AM
2. Introductions
3. Roll Call

**Homeless Committee Members Present**

- J. Leone, Claremont
- K. Davis, Glendora
- B. Shevlin, Monrovia
- M. Clark, Rosemead
- B. DeFrank, Pomona
- T. Paras-Caracci, Duarte
- L. Johnson, West Covina
- F. Briones, LA County District 1

**Ex Officio Member Present**

- J. Lyons, SGV Consortium on Homelessness
- B. Huang, Pasadena

**Homeless Committee Members Absent**

**Ex Officio Members Absent**

**Guests**

- P. Edwards, Bridge to Home
- A. Hegdahl, Irwindale
- R. Duenas, Asm. Ian Calderon
- R. Corral, Corral Consulting
- M. Hartman, SCV Senior Center
- S. Morrissey, USHS
- S. Chamberlain, SGV Consortium

- De. Lopez, Glendora
- T. Hadloc, Duarte
- D. Alcedo, S. Tekle, LAHSA
- Y. Ruizesparza, Baldwin Park
- D. Troutman, Sisters In Time/Senior Center
- D. Alcedo, LAHSA
- E. Ben-Ishai, County HI

**SGVCOG Staff**

- J. Cicco
- M. Creter
- N. Kaur

4. Public Comment  
Scott Chamberlain advised that the Consortium meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 9:00 at the Queen of the Valley Hospital. The Consortium will hold a Homeless Summit on June 29, 2019 in the Hughes Center in Claremont. A new staff member, Lee Kane, will start next week.
5. Changes to Agenda Order: The Measure H and Homeless Initiative update was moved forward to accommodate the presenter's schedule.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

6. Homelessness Meeting Minutes

**There was a motion to approve consent calendar item 5 (M/S: K. Davis/ L. Johnson)**

**[Motion Passed]**

<b>AYES:</b>	Claremont, Glendora, Monrovia, Rosemead, West Covina, Pomona, Duarte
<b>NOES:</b>	
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	LA County District 1
<b>ABSENT:</b>	

**PRESENTATIONS**

**6. Sisters in Time Program**

Peggy Edward, Chairperson, Bridge to Home, presented on this item. Sisters in Time addresses the combined challenges some seniors face of maintaining housing, the isolation that may come with aging, and seniors who can no longer afford their rent or mortgage. Sisters in Time is designed to be a referral service for people in need of housing. The service matches peoples’ needs and wants and ultimately assists in developing and nurturing roommate relationships through skilled case management. When fully developed, the program operates with several concurrent activities: 1) Housing referrals, 2) Roommate matching and mediation services, 3) Long-term planning and homelessness prevention, 4) Expansion to other populations.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**1. SB 48 (Weiner)**

Staff presented an update on SB 48 (Weiner) including recommendations from the Planners Tac to approve with significant language changes or to oppose lacking requested changes. This bill would revise the requirements of the housing element in the identification of zones where emergency shelters are allowed by-right as well as those permitted with a conditional use permit. It will remove certain local government requirements and set certain prescribed standards. The bill would also require than an interim shelter intervention development meet state and local health and safety requirements as well as state and local building codes. The bill would, moreover, disallow a local city from imposing parking requirements on an interim shelter intervention development. There is no formal public opposition to this legislation. The League of California Cities currently has a position of “Watch” for this bill. At Planners TAC passed a motion to recommend that the SGVCOG oppose the bill unless the following amendments are made: 1) Strike the prohibited of parking requirements and, 2) Amend the bill to designate an entity which would oversee the regulation and licensing of the interim housing intervention developments’ operators. If a State agency is not designated for this purpose, then further amend the bill to authorize cities to license and set permitting standards for these facilities and provide the requisite funding for cities to be able to do so. The Homelessness Committee concurred, adding that a provision that the State provide appropriate funding to implement the other additional requirements placed upon local jurisdictions by this bill.

**UPDATE ITEMS**

**8. Legislative Updates**

Staff provided updates on SB 50 (Weiner) and 751 (Rubio) and AB 940 (Melendez). Regarding SB 50, committee member expressed concern about the usurpation of local

zoning authority by the State, as well as concerns about density, adequate parking, gentrification, as well as changing the basic unique character of local communities. Staff indicated that SB 751 had swiftly passed through the Finance and Governance and the Housing Committees and has bipartisan support. Staff provided an introduction to AB 940, which would impose penalties upon recovery residences, staff, shareholders and others who receive remuneration in exchange for patient referrals.

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.

**CHAIR'S REPORT**

7. Solicitation of presentation topics

Mayor Johnson suggested that staff schedule Linda Logan to address veteran homelessness.

**COMMITTEE MEMBER ITEMS**

No items were brought to the Committee by members.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:04 AM