

MEETING MINUTES

COMMITTEE ON HOMELESSNESS

SOUTHERN NEVADA REGIONAL PLANNING COALITION

August 17, 2006

In attendance:

Stephen Harsin, ALTERNATE CHAIR, Alternate, City of Las Vegas
Kendall Wiley, Alternate, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department
Adrienne Cox, Focus Property Group
Mark Stetz, Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services
Rose Ann Miele, City of Boulder City
Skeet Fitzgerald, City of Henderson
Maryann Ustick, City of North Las Vegas
John Thedinga, Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce
Kathleen Boutin, Southern Nevada Homeless Coalition
Marcia Evans, Veteran's Administration

Absent:

Darryl Martin, Clark County
Susan Wright, Clark County School District
Theodore Moody, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department
Orlando Sanchez, City of Las Vegas

Agenda Item 1. Call to order, notice of agenda compliance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law.

The meeting of the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition Committee on Homelessness was called to order by Stephen Harsin, Alternate Chair, City of Las Vegas, at 2:02 p.m., on Thursday, August 17, 2006, in the North Las Vegas City Council Chambers, 2200 Civic Center Drive, North Las Vegas, Nevada.

The agenda for the August 17, 2006, meeting was duly posted in compliance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law requirements.

Agenda Item 2. Approval of the Agenda for August 17, 2006.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda for the August 17, 2006, meeting. The motion was approved unanimously. Skeet Fitzgerald, City of Henderson, and Adrienne Cox, Focus Property Group, had not arrived yet.

Agenda Item 3. Approval of Minutes from the Meeting on July 20, 2006.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes for the July 20, 2006, meeting. The motion was approved unanimously. Skeet Fitzgerald, City of Henderson, and Adrienne Cox, Focus Property Group, had not arrived yet.

Agenda Item 4. Appoint new members to the Committee representing Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services and the Southern Nevada Homeless Coalition.

There was no discussion by the Committee; and a motion was made and seconded to approve Mark Stetz as the representative for Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services and Kathleen Boutin as the representative for the Southern Nevada Homeless Coalition to the SNRPC Committee on Homelessness. The motion was approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 5. Receive an update on the development and implementation of the Public Awareness Campaign. Recommended action - Take any necessary action.

George McCabe and Rob Catalano, Brown & Partners, gave an update on the Public Awareness Campaign via a PowerPoint presentation titled “Regional Approach to Homelessness – Public Awareness Campaign Update, August 17, 2006.” Mr. Catalano presented a proposed logo for the “Help, Hope, Home” brand.

Kim Sherwood and Dave Linder, Clark County Channel 4, presented two of five preliminary draft public service announcements (PSA’s).

Rob Herdzik, Bitfocus Inc., presented a proposed template for the website www.helphopehome.org.

Stephen Harsin, City of Las Vegas, asked if there would be links from each of the jurisdictions’ web pages to the “Help, Hope, Home” website; and Mr. Herdzik and Shannon West, Regional Homeless Coordinator, responded that could be arranged.

A motion was made and seconded to accept and approve the “Help, Hope, Home” logo as well as the direction of the PSA’s and website. The motion was approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 6. Receive a report on the Inclement Weather Shelter Program. Recommended action - Take any necessary action.

Shannon West, Regional Homeless Coordinator, gave a report on the Inclement Weather Shelter Program including summary reports for July 2006 for Catholic Charities, the Salvation Army and HACA/TSA.

There was no discussion by the Committee; and a motion was made and seconded to accept the report. The motion was approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 7. Receive a report on the status of the AB580 funded “Transition from Homelessness” Programs. Recommended action - Take any necessary action.

Shannon West, Regional Homeless Coordinator, presented the July 2006 summary report for Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth.

Pat Lau, OUTREACH Management Analyst, presented the monthly OUTREACH report for July 2006 and the quarterly OUTREACH newsletter, including quantitative progress notes such as the number of clients served.

There was no discussion by the Committee; and a motion was made and seconded to accept the report. The motion was approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 8. Receive an update on Southern Nevada Homeless Coalition. Recommended action - Take any necessary action.

Kathleen Boutin, Southern Nevada Homeless Coalition, gave an update on the current status of the Southern Nevada Homeless Coalition as well as several future projects.

Shannon West, Regional Homeless Coordinator, commented on potential partnering to the website and coordination efforts by the Coalition.

There was no discussion by the Committee; and a motion was made and seconded to accept the report. The motion was approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 9. Receive an end of year report on the Homeless Management Information System. Recommended action - Take any necessary action.

Shannon West, Regional Homeless Coordinator, and Rob Herdzyk, Bitfocus Inc., presented the end-of-year “MINER (HMIS) Data Date Range: July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006” report.

Ms. West spoke briefly about the Homeless/In Shelter Count RFP, timeline and additional Panhandling Survey. She also reminded the Committee that their meeting in September would be held in Clark County Commission Chambers.

Marcia Evans, Veteran’s Administration, spoke about a Project CHALENG (Community Homelessness Assessment, Local Education and Networking Groups) luncheon to be held on September 13, 2006, at US Vets in order to conduct a community assessment of homeless veterans’ needs.

No motion or action was required on this agenda item.

Agenda Item 10. Public Comment.

There were no public comments.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.