

Yolo County/City of Davis 2x2 Meeting Minutes Wednesday, May 10, 2023

Participants: Vice Mayor Josh Chapman, Councilmember Gloria Partida

County Supervisor Lucas Frerichs, County Supervisor Jim Provenza

Staff: City Manager Mike Webb

County Administrator Gerardo Pinedo

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 12:25 p.m.

Members Present: Josh Chapman, Gloria Partida, Lucas Frerichs, Jim Provenza Staff Present: Mike Webb, Gerardo Pinedo, Nolan Sullivan, Karen Baker, Brian Vaughn, Rebecca Tryon

2. Designation of Chair for Day – Josh Chapman

3. Approval of Agenda

Frerichs moved, with a second by Provenza, approval of the agenda. Motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Frerichs, Partida, Chapman, Provenza

NOES: None ABSENT: None

4. Approval of March 8, 2023 minutes

Provenza would like to modify the minutes to include the fact that it was agreed upon that no additional work needs to be done by the County on the North Fork Putah Creek.

Frerichs moved, with a second by Partida for approval of the minutes as amended. Motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Frerichs, Partida, Chapman, Provenza

NOES: None ABSENT: None

5. Public Comment

None

6. Discussion Items

A. Report on Pacifico – progress report

Nolan Sullivan (Yolo County Health and Human Services): Provided background on the Pacifico property and its use. Explained that there's an agreement between the City and County to rebuild the buildings. Gave an update on the steps that have taken place so far to get that started.

Expect to have construction started by August 2023 so families can be moved in by Thanksgiving. Would like to have a neighborhood forum prior to construction.

Chapman: Stressed the importance of outreach to make sure the surrounding neighborhoods are aware of what is happening.

There was some general discussion on funding for the project and timing of when funds need to be spent.

Public comment:

None

B. Food Insecurity

Karen Baker (Yolo Food Bank Executive Director): Provided a handout with information on the number of households that are being served. Explained that some food is being served by partner agencies. Some of the numbers are overlapping – for example a child may be receiving assistance through Kids Farmers Market, while others in the households are being served through some of the other organizations.

Grocery stories were able to provide a lot of food during the pandemic. They amount of food coming in has gone done, while the amount of need has increased.

Explained that the donations from grocery stores has decreased because some stores have improved their ordering process to become more efficient. Also, there are also supply chain issues. SB 1383 has had an effect on how much stores order, which has an unintended effect on the amount of food that is donated.

It appears that the increase in people receiving donations is due in part to the fact that people (pre-COVID) didn't know that this service was available. Inflation is also a factor. Some of the foods that are being purchased by the food bank are culturally appropriate foods to meet people's needs.

Gave an overview of programs such as Kids Farmers Market at the elementary schools where kids are able to "buy" produce with play money. They learn about nutrition at the same time while being able to bring food home to their families.

Public Comment:

Sheila Allen – offered to help with outreach to individuals that may still need to complete the Yolo County food access survey.

C. Homeless Report

Nolan Sullivan: Explained that the homeless situation isn't just one jurisdiction's problem, but is everyone's problem. Commended the collaboration efforts between the county and the city.

Provide a handout with a matrix that shows funding sources and amounts. Explained that there are no consistent funding sources for the services that are provided. Gave an overview of the various statistics that are provided in the handout.

Shared that it's hard to gather data on evictions as there is not a central agency that deals with that. Indicated that once people are unhoused, it's hard to find housing for them and that it's also more expensive. There are many people that haven't paid their rent in years.

There was discussion about the figures and stats. 50% of people that are homeless in Davis are here because they have a connection to the community, such as family, friends or that they are from Davis.

Once someone loses an address, it's really hard to keep track of people. It's easy to slip through the cracks.

Public comment:

None

D. Community Health Assessment Results

Rebecca Tryon (Manager of Public Health Branch): shared a packet of information that includes the Yolo County Community Health Assessment Executive Summary. Indicated that COVID brought to light some of the challenges that the community is facing with mental health.

Shared information on the Healthy Yolo Initiative and what areas that need to be focused on. As of now there are two focus areas. The first is service environment, which is linking services together for people as well as transportation. Second would be focusing on the 0-5 population. The first five years of a child's life is critical for the child and their family environment.

Gave an overview of Health in all Policies (HIAP). The policy helps with making decisions that have long-term impact.

Brian Vaughn (Public Health Director) – Would like to establish a venue when stakeholders can come together to coordinate their efforts.

Public comment:

None

7. Board of Supervisors/City Council Communications

8. Upcoming Meeting Dates / Chair Designation

July 12, 2023 – Jim Provenza September 13, 2023 – Gloria Partida November 8, 2023 – Lucas Frerichs

9. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at: 1:54 p.m.