



City of Davis
Social Services Commission Meeting Minutes
Community Chambers, 23 Russell Boulevard, Davis, CA 95616
Monday, May 16, 2016
7:00 P.M.

Commission Members Present: Claire Goldstene, Donald Kalman, Ann Privateer,
Mindy Romero (Vice-Chair), Tracy Tomasky, Bernita Toney
Georgina Valencia (Alternate), R. Matthew Wise (Chair)

Absent: None.

Staff Present: Danielle Foster, Housing and Human Services Superintendent
Adrienne Heinig, Administrative Aide

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by Chairperson Wise.

2. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Goldstene moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Privateer seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Brief Announcements from Staff, Commissioners, and Liaisons

Staffperson Foster provided updates on the following topics:

1. The Summer Lunch program, which provides free lunches to children of all ages over the summer, will be operating again this year, with the addition of three sites for lunch in affordable rental communities throughout Davis.
2. The City of Davis submitted its Annual Action Plan to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for approval for the 2016-2017 program year. The year begins July 1, 2016.
3. Davis Community Church (DCC) is suspending its weekday brown bag lunch program.
4. The City and the Davis Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a Lunch and Learn program, gathering non-profit agencies, businesses and government to discuss current issues on homelessness.

Mayor Protempore Davis spoke to the commission on the following one item:

1. Representatives of the City of Reedley met with Police, Protempore Davis, YCRC representatives, and school district staff to discuss restorative justice programs, specifically to be used in a Davis juvenile justice program.

Commissioner Goldstene asked for clarification on the discussion around Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) grant funding at the April 19, 2016 City Council Meeting. Staffperson Foster addressed the item.

4. Public Comment

None.

5. Consent Calendar

A. Approval of Minutes – March 21, 2016.

Commissioner Goldstene moved, seconded by Commissioner Romero, to approve the minutes for March 21, 2016, with two minor corrections. The motion passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Goldstene, Kalman, Romero, Toney, Wise

Noes: None

Abstention: Privateer, Tomasky, Valencia

Absent: None

B. Approval of Minutes – April 18, 2016.

Commissioner Toney moved, seconded by Commissioner Romero, to approve the minutes for April 18, 2016, with one minor correction. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Regular Items

A. Need Area – Elections Participation.

Vice Chair Romero, Director of California Civic Engagement Project, presented an informational item on elections outreach and education, specifically addressing low turnout of underrepresented populations, and including discussion of how to better address these disparities and how to encourage more populations to vote.

B. CDBG and HOME Updated RFP/Application Process Assessment.

Staffperson Heinig presented a summary of the feedback, obtained through a staff-conducted survey, on the implemented changes to the Community Block Development Grant (CDBG) and HOME Request for Proposals process. She stated that feedback was positive overall, and that staff plans to recommend continuing with the changes when the report is presented to the City Council. During discussion on this item, Commissioner Goldstene requested additional review of the evaluation criteria for CDBG and HOME applications, particularly in relation to the CDBG Public Service category. It was agreed that further discussion of the criteria would be included in the annual Critical Needs List review, set for October of this year.

C. Social Services Strategy Planning.

Staffperson Foster presented the draft Social Services Strategy plan update and detailed the addition of a new service area under conflict resolution and restorative justice. She asked that the Commissioners consider if there is a service area that interests them, and asked that they consider volunteering to serve as a commissioner liaison for that area. Further discussion included what would be expected of a commissioner liaison and the timeline for the Strategy planning.

7. Commission and Staff Communications

A. Social Services Commission Workplan

Staffperson Foster discussed the upcoming meeting dates, and mentioned the probability that the June meeting will be cancelled, as four commissioners will be unable to attend. Commissioner Toney reminded the Commission that Thursday May 19 is Celebrate Davis, and Saturday May 21 is Black Family Day at UC Davis.

8. Adjourn

Commissioner Romero made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Toney. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting ended at 9:00 p.m.

Respectively Submitted by,

Danielle Foster
Housing and Human Services Superintendent