

City of Davis Social Services Commission Minutes Monday, May 16, 2022, 7:00 P.M.

Members Present: Judith Ennis, Julia Mouat, Allie O'Brien, Jenna Shaw-Battista, Bapu Vaitla, Judy Wong-Chen

Members Absent: Rachael Fulp-Cooke, Susan Perez

Others Present: Dagoberto Fierros, Kelly Stachowicz

1. Call to Order

Ennis called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

2. Approval of Agenda

O'Brien moved, with a second by Vaitla, approval of the agenda.

Motion passed by the following vote: AYES: Ennis, Mouat, O'Brien, Shaw-Battista, Vaitla, Wong-Chen NOES: None ABSENT: Fulp-Cooke, Perez

- **3.** Brief Announcements from Staff, Commissioners, and Liaisons Fierros stated that his last day of employment with the City of Davis is on May 27, 2022.
- 4. Public Comment

None.

5. Consent Items

A. Approval of Minutes – April 18, 2022

Shaw-Battista moved, with a second by Vaitla, approval of the minutes. Motion passed by the following vote: AYES: Ennis, Mouat, O'Brien, Shaw-Battista, Vaitla, Wong-Chen NOES: None ABSENT: Fulp-Cooke, Perez

6. Regular Items

A. Introduction: Dana Bailey, Social Services and Housing Director

Dana Bailey shared information about her professional experience before coming to the City of Davis. Bailey also shared information about:

- Current landscape of social services in Davis
- Challenges and opportunities
- The six-month department plan

Commission Discussion:

Commissioners personally introduced themselves to Bailey and shared the commission's work plan, focus, and proposed activities.

Public Comment:

Donna Neville, Chair of the Finance and Budget Commission, welcomed Bailey and expressed interest in future collaborations.

Alan Hirsch welcomed Bailey, discussed the law of strawberry jam, and suggested the commission remain focused.

7. Subcommittee Updates

A. Community Outreach Efforts Subcommittee (*Ennis, Fulp-Cooke, O'Brien*) Ennis shared a proposed list of guest speakers at future Social Services Commission meetings. The goal is to have local service providers share information with the commission to keep the public and city informed.

Public Comment:

Alan Hirsch suggested that the commission narrow their focus and is worried that the outreach plan will dilute the effectiveness of the commission.

Ennis moved to have the outreach memo updated, routed to staff and submitted to the City Council as a consent item. O'Brien seconded the motion.

Motion passed by the following vote: AYES: Ennis, Mouat, O'Brien, Shaw-Battista, Vaitla, Wong-Chen NOES: None ABSENT: Fulp-Cooke, Perez

B. University Student Advocacy Groups Outreach (*Mouat, O'Brien, Vaitla*) O'Brien plans to share a formal presentation to student groups in the near future.

Public Comment: None.

8. Commission and Staff Communications

A. Development Projects and Affordable Housing Properties Update None.

B. Social Services Commission Long Range Calendar

Ennis requested to add a discussion item to the June meeting that evaluates the commission's charges related to climate justice and affordable housing. Ennis also added an item to provide support for children and families.

Public Comment: Alan Hirsch expressed support for adding to the June agenda a climate justice and affordable housing item.

9. Adjourn

Ennis moved to adjourn the meeting, Shaw-Battista seconded.

Motion passed by the following vote: AYES: Ennis, Mouat, O'Brien, Shaw-Battista, Vaitla, Wong-Chen NOES: None ABSENT: Fulp-Cooke, Perez

Meeting adjourned at 8:19pm.