

# Minutes

## Community Supports Sub-Committee

September 14, 2016

5:00 PM

9th Floor Council Committee Room

**Type of meeting:**

Joint Sub-committee Community Supports & Housing

**Members Present:**

Paul Hopkins, Melissa Beery, John Schoeppner, Nancy Jo Archer, Laura Tuzinowski, Ann Waldorf, Verner Westerberg, Kathy Finch, Robin Connell, Marcia Harris, Nicole Taylor (staff)

**Members Excused:**

Katrina Hotrum (BernCo)

**Resource Persons Present:****Call to Order**

Robert, Housing Sub-committee Chair, called the meeting at 5:05 p.m.

**Discussion to Approve Agenda**

Agenda approved.

**Discussion to Approve Minutes**

Minutes from 8/31/16 approved.

**Key Items of Discussion****Adolescent Transitional Living Proposal**

- Subcommittee recommends City of Albuquerque to contribute funding, without duplication of services
- Katrina went over the changes to the proposal per requests from subcommittees.
- Katrina explained that funding is to cover 10 beds or funding can pay for multiple services with different agencies collaborating
- A problem solving RFP is to be issued once proposal is approved
- Paul recommended to add back to proposal that the target population is to include services to adolescent girls
- Paul asked what the “big picture” is and what proposals will be coming down. Katrina responded that Community Engagement Teams is one such project. Another is the Reduction of Adverse Childhood Experiences project.
- Question on UNMISR collection of data – has that started?

- Lisa H., technical advisor on Housing sub-committee responded that the Coalition to End Homelessness is providing data to UNMISR from their Homeless Management Information Services
- Question on whether subcommittees can request data from UNMISR and whether the data will provide information on need?
- Concern voiced that members do not really know how much money to recommend without the “big picture” and without a clear understanding of need
- CPI report recommends \$993,000 for youth transitional living
- Another question regarding need in New Mexico and whether it is for more robust program or a lower level of care?
- Katrina clarified that the Residential Treatment Center covers the more robust need. Transitional living program is a step down but youth client will be receiving services to continue involvement in the community, such as, attending school
- Paul suggested an increase in funding
- Proposed intervention section – could be provided in non-residential setting? For example, at school? Establish partnership with transitional housing provider?
- Question on who can provide case management and can it be provided by multiple resources in the community?
- Motion made for \$650k funding. Unanimous vote to change funding to \$650k in proposal. (Nancy Jo abstained from vote)
- Funds will fill gaps and not supplant
- Kathy F. recommended a change in proposal to read, “...for part of all services...” and to strike out “street outreach”
- John S. stated that there are lots of agencies that provide support services in the community for youth but transitional housing is what is missing and there is a shortage of beds for children who are displaced from their homes and for children with substance abuse issues
- Nancy Jo stated that she really wants to see case management be integrated in the program and follow-up care when they leave
- Motion made to approve proposal with changes. Passed unanimously.
- Katrina clarified that the “big picture” is still being worked out because of ongoing negotiations between County and UNM. It is difficult to put together a “big picture” without knowing what UNM will/will not provide in services and determine where gaps exist.

### **Next Meeting and Adjourn**

Next meeting October 4, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. on the 9th Floor Committee Room. Robert adjourned the meeting.