

**Agenda for  
Community Supports Sub-Committee Meeting  
1 Civic Plaza 9th Floor, City Council Conference Room, Room 9081  
December 12, 2017 from 5:00-7:00pm**

**1. Members Present**

Kathy Finch, Chair  
Nancy Jo Archer, Vice-Chair  
Laura Tuzinowski  
Verner Westerberg  
Melissa Beery  
John Schoeppner  
Paul Hopkins  
Michaela Cadena  
Robin Connell

**Technical Advisors**

William Narrow  
Mika Tari

**2. Members Excused**

Hanson Scott

**3. Staff Members Present**

Ellen Braden COA  
Sun Vega BHI Advisor; Hyde & Associates  
Alex Tonigan UNM/ISR  
Mike Robertson, COA

**4. Call to Order**

Chair, Kathy Finch called the meeting to order at 5:05 pm with a quorum present

**1. Discussion to Approve Agenda**

The agenda was reviewed and adopted, with one addition – discuss writing an editorial about the work of the BHI.

## **Discussion to Approve Minutes**

The previous meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.

## **7. Key Items of Discussion**

### **A. Old Business**

Review of the business plan was removed from the agenda due to the small working group meeting in which this was to be discussed was cancelled.

### **B. New Business**

Behavioral Health Partnership with the City – Ellen Braden gave an overview of the Mayor’s support of Behavioral Health services in the community.

Kathy Finch addressed the request for a volunteer from this subcommittee to write an editorial about the work of the Community Supports subcommittee. Kathy Finch volunteered to write the editorial.

Discussion about the Single Site proposal and next steps. Currently the proposal is in the housing subcommittee specific to structure, units and target population, but will be moving to the community supports subcommittee for actual services. There was a discussion around can the proposal be reviewed concurrently between both the housing and the community supports.

Mika Tari discussed similar models in Santa Fe and will be sending information on this link.

The committee to deferred to Kathy Finch and Robert Baade to determine if the next meeting should be a joint meeting with Housing to discuss the single-site proposal.

## **8. Public Comment**

Debbie Johnson with Tenderlove presented on her agency. She provided handouts to the committee. She gave the history of the agency, the number of students in the program, and provided information about individual students. In addition to the sewing syllabus, they have added culinary arts at the end of last year. They are expanding to providing GED for the persons in the program. They do have an emergency shelter in

a private home in Rio Rancho, but they can only stay one month. They want to expand into transitional living.

Her presentation was within the previously decided upon 10 minutes, with an additional 5 minutes allowed for questions. Questions included how many people in the program currently (6); where do you receive funding (the City and private donors).

## **9. Announcements and Miscellaneous**

Michaela Cadena is resigning from the sub-committee due to her work is relocating.

John Schoeppner discussed the need to have someone from Michaela Cadena's group on the subcommittee to ensure adequate representation of all populations in the community.

All meetings moving forward will be held in the Department of Family and Community Services Large Conference Room

## **10. Next Meeting and Adjourn**

The next meeting was scheduled for January 9, 2018 in the Family and Community Services large Conference Room – Old City Hall, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Suite 504; 400 Marquette NW.

The committee adjourned at 5:50pm.