

# Minutes

## Community Supports Sub-Committee

December 7, 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/Absent:**

Melissa Beery (ex), Ann Waldorf(ex), Mika Tari

**Resource Persons Present:**

Margarita Chavez (BernCo)

**Call to Order**

Meeting called at 5:05 p.m.

**Discussion to Approve Agenda**

Agenda approved.

**Discussion to Approve Minutes**

Minutes from November 2, 2016 not approved, pending corrections to be made.

**Key Items of Discussion**

- Kathy Hotrum lead discussion on the BH initiative, including: goals, structure, process, staffing and program management.
- Katrina clarified that “Community Connections” is a brand name that encompasses a number of separate initiatives.
- She talked about priority populations and how to identify who they are.
- Katrina went over process of how she brings BH issues to the County Commissioners who then make the decision about moving forward with a project which is then brought to the small working group.
- Paul asked if anyone is looking at a more permanent governing structure beyond ABCGC and whether the other 4 counties are being brought into the process.
- Katrina responded that the other counties are being tagged and that there is an outstanding RFP for a Behavioral Health Advisor.
- Katrina named the Reduction of Adverse Childhood Exp. And the Behavioral Health Advisor as currently issued RFPs. She also state that UNM and County still negotiating the type of services to be provided by UNM under the Mill Levy, such as, what step-down and stabilization services and how to

build a social model respite, which may be provided by MATS. UNM can expand current stabilization and respite slots by 1,000. When MOU between UNM & county is drafted there will be opportunity for public comment.

- Recommendation from John to post ABCGC documents on website.
- \$8 million committed so far from BH tax money.
- Katrina stated that RFI on Crisis Triage Stabilization Center to go out in January. It is still in concept form. Partner with one or more hospitals to develop a mental health component which includes medication. The Center was located at MATS. MATS tried to build up their intake but could not keep up with the demand. UNM however, could not take patients in without going through the intake process. It became ineffective. Center closed and much later MATS was able to get their intake center back on track.
- Questions on the status of the single site supportive housing project. The City and County still working on identifying location. County to provide 50-100 vouchers.
- Katrina clarified that 2 members from each committee would serve on the RFP evaluation. She also stated that potentially there will be more \$\$ carved out from the \$17 million and used for leverage through bonding. County has a lot of bonding capacity.
- Requests for proposals to be published on website so the public can look at them and ask questions or make comments.
- Reminder about the re-orientation on 1/26 from 1:30 to 4:30 at 415 Tijeras, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Classroom 2 (Sheriff's Training Room).

**Action Items:** Robert requested to see reports from the Denver site and also look at other options for scattered sites.

---

**Public Comments**

None.

---

**Next Meeting and Adjourn**

Next meeting January 10, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. at 1 Civic Plaza, 9th floor.