



Homeless Services System

11:00 – 12:30

May 4, 2021

Minutes

Meeting Participation Principles:

- Past Progress – Many diverse, and respected voices have contributed to where we are today.
- Preparation - All background materials, minutes and project updates should be read, prior to meetings.
- Contribution – Every voice is elicited, uninterrupted, and heard.
- Distraction - Mute cell phones, avoid side-conversations, stay on-topic.
- Transparency – Acknowledge mistakes, provide upward feedback, seek differing opinions.

Co-Chairs: Erin Engelbrecht (Mayor’s Office), Commissioner Charlene Pyskoty (Bernalillo County), Rodney McNease (UNM)

Attendees: Erin Engelbrecht (CABQ), Laura Norman (CABQ consultant), Cate Reeves (NMPCA), Deiandra Cole (Downtown Block by Block Ambassadors), Margarita Chavez Sanchez (BernCo), Christina Apodaca (Santa Barbara Martineztown NA), Rodney McNease (UNM), Comm Charlene Pyskoty (BernCo), Dennis Plummer (Heading Home), Reed Russell (AHCH), Kinsey Cooper (CABQ), Lisa Huval (CABQ), Marit Tully (Near North Valley NA), Doreen McKnight (Wells Park NA), Heather Hoffman (Barrett Fndtn), Melinda Frame (Parkland Hills NA), Danny Whatley (The Rock at Noonday; and Mental Health Response and Advisory Committee)

Individual:	Discussion/Action
Welcome, Erin Englebrecht	<p>1) Welcome, and introductions were made. Erin Engelbrecht is assistant chief of staff in the Mayor’s office and the new CABQ Co-Chair for this committee. She shared screen of a May 4 document with 5 focus areas (listed below) for this committee, going forward, not just today. Lisa Huval added that, like other HCC committees, the role has and will evolve. Now that there is an actual location for one of the Gateway Centers, along with HopeWorks gateway site underway, this committee’s work is entering a new phase.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Provide updates on gateway projects both at GMC and the HopeWorks location -Assist CABQ in planning the service array provided at GMC for Gateway -Consider service provision in a way that meets the needs of the surrounding community of GMC -Updates and Input: UNM Evaluations -Conditional use permit process update <p>In discussion that followed, Marit Tully asked for updates on sanctioned encampments and tiny homes. She added that Comm. O’Malley has said both City</p>

<p>Introductions and Approval of Minutes, Rodney McNease</p>	<p>and County are looking for sanctioned encampment locations (aka Safe Outdoor Spaces) in Near North Valley and Wells Park areas. There is overlap here between the work of this committee and another HCC committee – Facilities.</p> <p>Melinda Frame asked how proposed amendments to the IDO impact or related to Gateway. Councilor Davis is introducing something related to bed capacity and mixed use zoning. Lisa Huval said that she just became aware but doesn't have details on the implications. Erin said she will stay abreast and bring back to committee.</p> <p>Rodney McNease facilitated introductions. During these, Danny Whatley shared that he is attending in both capacities as his work at the Rock at Noon Day and his work on the MHRAC.</p> <p>Motion to approve minutes of 03.09.21 was made by Cate Reeves and seconded by Lisa Huval. Motion to approve passed.</p>
<p>Community Engagement, GMC, Kinsey Cooper</p>	<p>Kinsey Cooper of the CABQ, FCS Dept., provided a presentation to bring committee up to speed on what GMC is envisioned to be. Lisa Huval then walked through the presentation which included the Need, System of Care, Map of Service/Healthcare Providers. Then Kinsey Cooper discussed gaps in services and history of funding for these gaps; GMC Health Hub of approx. 570,000 sq ft. There is an estimated 100 overnight guests served at GMC by the existing tenants. It is already a health hub. Gateway Center at GMC will only be one component within this large building. No decisions on bed # have been made. Gateway Center at GMC will become part of the existing dispersed shelter model. Medical respite is a different level of care, short term for people to recover. Have reached out to 5 nearby neighborhood associations; have had 2 meetings already and are trying to schedule more. There are multiple opportunities for community voice and input, as the GMC project moves forward in general and related to its conditional use permit process; these are two separate processes but related. GatewayInput@cabq.gov is the email for input. Learn more at cabq.gov/unhoused</p> <p>Doreen McKnight asked question on persons who are homeless who don't use shelters. Lisa Huval shared that more people would be open to shelter if it was more centrally located; WEHC is the current shelter and 20 miles from downtown. The hope is that location along with trauma informed design, smaller size, people who haven't gone to shelter will. In terms of data to support, Lisa Huval pointed to the point in time count of 2019 which asked why no use of shelter and common response were no storage, no pets, safety concerns, too many people.</p> <p>Erin Engelbrecht referred to a Council Resolution that passed to highlight importance of community input and giving people a way to loop in. Commissioner Pyskoty asked how the two community meetings will be implemented, who will be invited, as well as other details. Kinsey Cooper said the highlights of the Resolution included requirement of two community input meetings within 45 days and a specific contact email. Still working on what the meetings will look like, as we exit Covid restrictions.</p>

<p>Lived Experience Survey, Erin Engelbrecht, Rodney McNease, Commissioner Pyskoty</p> <p>Agency/Community Updates and Next Steps, Comm Pyskoty</p>	<p>Marit Tully asked that the list of 5 items (the new committee focus) be sent to all; the list was put in chat box during meeting.</p> <p>Lisa Huval reviewed the <i>HCC: Lived Experience Feedback on Gateway Shelter, Executive Survey</i> which reached people living on the streets and those using shelter. 59 total respondents. Reviewed the results question by question. The results will be posted online at cabq.gov/unhoused, after some text and layout edits made.</p> <p>Rodney McNease said that some of the work UNM is doing may help inform this work and help better define what will attract people to use a shelter. Lisa Huval provided update on UNM evaluations/research: One topic is around different types of permanent supportive housing models that are needed in ABQ, the other is around impacts of a shelter on a neighborhoods. Marit Tully noted that the evaluators haven't contacted neighborhood contacts related to evaluation; Lisa Huval said not yet, but they will.</p> <p>Comm Pyskoty noted that there is a question in the chat box on a related but non-agenda topic (sweeps, encampments, etc); that person was directed to Lisa Huval if poster wanted to discuss later. Lisa Huva's email contact was provided.</p> <p>Marit Tully asked for draft encampment policies for committee. Christina Apodaca added that she thought that the removal of encampments around 2nd Street, her neighborhood, is strategic. It usually happens after a tragic event.</p> <p>Comm Psykoty reminded committee that next meeting will be first Tuesday of June (June 1).</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Tuesday in June is next meeting: June 1, 2021

Core Documents:

CABQ: Focus Group – People With Lived Experience, Gateway Center Site Ranking Report, Gateway Center Online Survey Report, Gateway Center Public Input Session, Changing the Story document, Assessing Shelter Capacity Report

(Barbara Poppe and Stephen Metreaux report), Gateway Concepts document, Medical Respite Community Needs Assessment

UNM: UNM Hospitals 2020 Community Health Needs Assessment

BernCo: Bernalillo County Healthcare Task Force Recommendations: 2014