Homeless Coordinating Council
Virtual Meeting Via Zoom Video Conference
Tuesday, August 18, 2020, 9:00am-10:00am

Chair, Mayor Tim Keller, City of Albuquerque
Vice-Chair, County Commissioner Charlene Pyskoty, Bernalillo County
City Council President Pat Davis, City of Albuquerque
City Councilor Isaac Benton, City of Albuquerque
County Commissioner Debbie O’Malley, Bernalillo County
County Manager Julie Morgas Baca, Bernalillo County
President Garnett S. Stokes, The University of New Mexico
Dr. Michael Richards, The University of New Mexico

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MEETING MINUTES

I. Introductions and Announcements
   i. Welcome and Introductions
      Mayor Keller, Chair of the HCC, called the meeting to order at 9:03 am. A quorum of
      members were present.

      The following voting members were present: Mayor Tim Keller (CABQ), Commissioner
      Charlene Pyskoty (BernCo), Dr. Mike Richards (UNM), Councilor Isaac Benton (CABQ),
Councilor Pat Davis (CABQ), President Garnett Stokes (UNM), Commissioner Debbie O’Malley (BernCo), County Manager Julie Morgas Baca (BernCo), and Lawrence Rael (CABQ – Mayor Keller’s Designee)

**Voting Members not present:** None

**Other individuals present (on Zoom):** Assata Zerai (UNM), Betty Valdez (BernCo), Catherine Mexal, Carol Pierce (CABQ), Chamiza Pacheco de Alas (UNM), David Parkinson (CABQ), Debra Bazan (CABQ), Denise Lin (UNM), Enrico Gradi (BernCo), Heather Norfleet, Jen Scacco (BernCo), Jessica Dyer, Jim Collie (BernCo), Joe Noriega (BernCo), Lisa Huval (CABQ), Mark Childs (UNM), Nasha Torrez (UNM), Peter Rice, Rodney McNease (UNM), William Hoffman, Yvette Ammerman.

**ii. Acknowledgment of Designees**

Mayor Keller announced and acknowledged HCC members designees:

- Mayor Keller - Lawrence Rael
- County Manager Julie Morgas Baca – Enrico Gradi
- UNM President Garnett Stokes – Terry Babbitt
- UNM Dr. Michael Richards – Chamiza Pacheco de Alas

Mayor Keller also announced that Lawrence Rael would assume his role as the Chair at 9:30am until the end of the meeting. Mayor Keller

**II. Old Business**

**i. Approval of August 4th Meeting Minutes**

Vice-Chair Commissioner Charlene Pyskoty moved to approve the minutes. A second was made by President Garnett Stokes. The motion was passed and the minutes approved.

**III. New and Ongoing Activities**

**i. Updates and Discussions: Committees**

Mayor Keller led the discussion of the five committees listed below. He requested that each committee send their proposed meeting dates for the rest of the year to the HCC staff.

- **Gateway Facilities, Co-Chairs: Lawrence Rael, Commissioner O’Malley, Tom Neale, and Councilor Isaac Benton.**

  Lawrence Rael informed the HCC that he and Commissioner O’Malley met update to one another on their respective entities activities prior to the creation of the HCC committees. Mr. Rael provided the HCC an overview and update of potential sites and facilities. He also shared that the City is currently seeking appraisals of the Bischoff Building and the Lovelace-Gibson areas. Additionally, he provided an overview of the status of the buildings, operating costs, investments, potential impact to businesses and
communities, assessment & evaluations of potential sites and facilities. The committee still needed an additional co-chair from City Council. The committee is set to meet next week. Councilor Benton inquired about the operating costs associated with Lovelace if used as a facility. Lawrence Rael provided that there are currently agencies contracted to use the building and there is revenue from those leases. Councilor Benton will be added to the committee as a Co-Chair.

- **Homeless Service System, Co-Chairs: Quinn Donnay, Commissioner Pyskoty, Rodney McNease**
  Quinn Donnay provided that the co-chairs had met to discuss logistical items, with the first committee meeting being next Tuesday. All co-chairs shared their excitement and their commitment toward focusing on how to structure the system. Vice-Chair Pyskoty and Rodney McNease underscored the importance to fostering communication between the committee, service providers & neighborhood associations. Mayor Keller reiterated and emphasized that HCC committees will have members from these communities.

  At 9:29am, Mayor Keller’s Designee Lawrence Rael assumed the role as the Chair until the end of the meeting.

- **Housing, Co-Chairs: Lisa Huval, Betty Valdez, Mark Childs**
  Lisa Huval provided that the committee will meet every other Wednesday starting the following week 8/26/20. The committee will begin by focusing on strategic planning sessions from the Urban Institute Report facilitated by John Ross. The report provided an analysis of affordable housing needs in low-income communities and ideas of how to protect affordable housing.

- **Coordinated Street Outreach, Co-Chairs: Xochitl Campos-Biggs, Commissioner Collie, Dr. Denise Lyn**
  Xochitl Campos-Biggs provided an overview of the committee’s purpose which was to coordinate the intersections of outreach teams. All co-chairs, shared their enthusiasm to work on this committee. The co-chairs will go on a late-night ride-along to observe first-hand the homeless experiences and vulnerabilities. Councilor Benton inquired to see if the committee would reach out to other providers and shared his experience going on a ride-along and strongly echoed his support. Lawrence Rael too echoed his support and emphasized the importance of this hands-on committee.

- **Youth Housing Continuum, Co-Chairs: Quinn Donnay, Jennifer Scacco, Assata Zerai and Nasha Torrez**
  Quinn Donnay emphasized that this committee was working to include a whole group of youths that often are forgotten. All co-chairs, shared their commitment to work on
this committee. Jennifer Scacco, Assata Zerai, Nasha Torrez described their backgrounds and experiences in relation to the issue of youth housing.

IV. Discussion: Summary of Next Action Steps

Lawrence Rael wrapped up the discussions by opening the floor for comments from HCC members. County Manager Julie Morgas Baca stated the importance of keeping businesses in mind and to keep an open dialogue with the business community. Mr. Rael echoed her concerns and proposed to have representatives from the business community on some committees. Councilor Benton echoed those concerns and reminded the HCC to keep the 60-day deadline in mind. He offered a suggestion of potentially creating a standardized checklist or outline leading to a larger framework for each committee. Carol Pierce underscored the 60-day deadline at the end of October as well. Mr. Rael asked all committee members to remember it’s an aggressive schedule, to make sure they have their calendars were submitted.

V. Next Meeting: Tuesday, Sept. 1st 9-10:00 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 9:57am.