

Regular Meeting of the
Culver City Homelessness Ad Hoc Committee

March 25, 2008
7:00 P. M.

Call to Order & Roll Call

The meeting of the Culver City Homelessness Ad Hoc Committee was called to order at 7:05 P.M.

Ad Hoc Committee

Present: Tom Wilson
Debbie Jones
Tom McCabe
Elaine Struhl
Judy Scott
Andy Gauvreau

Excused: Andy Weissman
Anita Shapiro
Lezlie Brazil
John Wahlert

City Council Members

Present: Gary Silbiger
Carol Gross

Excused:

City Staff

Present: Armando Abrego
Roland Miranda
Mike Webb
Darryl Wells
Julie Cobb

Parks and Recreation Commission

Present:

Excused: Charles Deen

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Item 2

MOVED BY DEBBIE JONES, SECONDED BY ELAINE STRUHL AND UNANIMOUSLY
PASSED TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE SECRETARY'S REPORT REGARDING
POSTING OF THE AGENDA, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE 54454.2.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item 3

MOVED BY DEBBIE JONES, SECONDED BY JUDY SCOTT AND UNANIMOUSLY PASSED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 22, 2008 AS SUBMITTED.

RECEIPT OF CORRESPONDENCE

YMCA of Metropolitan Los Angeles is seeking to serve homeless youth by providing summer camp opportunities.

Carol Gross extended apologizes for not being at the last couple of meetings. Both she and Gary Silbiger had scheduling conflicts.

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

Item 5

No public comments.

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENCY

Item 6

No public comments.

AGENDA ITEMS

Item 7

A. Update from David Snow, Upward Bound House, Regarding the Emergency Family Shelter.

Tom Wilson stated that he had been asked to serve on the Upward Bound House Board of Directors and asked if this would be a conflict of interest. Roland Miranda stated it would not.

David Snow, Upward Bound House gave an update on the emergency shelter. He stated that escrow would be closing April 26th and that they hope to have the shelter open in the Fall. They will be partnering with volunteers from Sony in upgrading the facility. David also stated they are asking for donations of utensils, pots and pans, bedding, etc. for the family shelter.

B. Follow up to Homeless Information on the City's Website

Armando Abrego stated that the Website had not been completely updated by the Administrative Clerk but that she is continuing to work on it.

C. **Continued Discussion and Recommendation as to the Future of the Homelessness Ad Hoc Committee**

Discussion ensued regarding changing the Ad Hoc Committee to a Standing Committee. The Committee discussed how many members should be on the Standing Committee as well as what the neighborhood mix of the Committee and frequency of meetings.

It was the consensus of the Committee to recommend to the City Council that the Homelessness Ad Hoc Committee be changed to a Standing Committee with seven members that meet quarterly. It was suggested that the Committee be comprised of one member from the Downtown Business Association/Chamber of Commerce, one member from the Westside, one member from the Eastside, one member from Fox Hills, one member from Vets Park, one member from Lower Crest/Sepulveda-Jefferson and one member at large. It was also suggested that Police, Fire and the City Attorney only attend the meetings when requested.

Discussion continued regarding requesting an operating budget for magnets, pamphlets, etc. It was the consensus of the Committee to form a subcommittee to recommend an operating budget to the City Council. Andy Gauvreau, Debbie Jones, Tom Wilson and Tom McCabe volunteered to be on the subcommittee and then will meet with Armando Abrego after a recommended operating budget has been completed.

Future Agenda Items

Item 7

Agenda Items for April Agenda

- Tevis Barnes, Housing Programs Administrator, to discuss housing vouchers, RAP, Section 8
- EMIAGO, Final Report on Cold Weather Shelter
- Update from Subcommittee Regarding Operating Budget for Homelessness Ad Hoc Committee

Upcoming Items from Committee

- Quarterly Update from CCPD and CCRD Regarding "Calls for Service"
- Pan Handling

Adjournment

Item 8

THIS MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:45 P.M. TO THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING.

Julie Cobb, Administrative Secretary