

REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CULVER CITY
ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON
HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS
CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA

February 20, 2024
7:00 p.m.

Call to Order & Roll Call

Chair Daniel Behrendt called the regular meeting of the Culver City Advisory Committee on Housing and Homelessness to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Patio Room.

Present: Daniel Behrendt, Chair
Khin Khin Gyi, Vice Chair
Emily Dibiny, Committee Member
Jonathon Dilworth, Committee Member
Rachel Feldstein, Committee Member
Robert Gagnier, Committee Member
Leonardo Wilborn, Committee Member

Absent: Amy Cherness, Committee Member
Darryl Cherness, Committee Member

Staff: Tevis Barnes, Director of Housing and Homelessness
Brenda Diaz, Housing Assistant

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The Pledge of Allegiance

The Advisory Committee on Housing and Homelessness recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Public Comment for Items NOT On The Agenda

Tevis Barnes, Director of Housing and Homelessness, indicated that no requests to speak had been received.

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Receipt of Correspondence

Tevis Barnes, Director of Housing and Homelessness, indicated that no correspondence had been received

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Consent Calendar

Item C-1

Approval of Minutes for the Regular Advisory Committee on Housing and Homelessness Meetings of November 14, 2023 and December 19, 2023

MOVED BY CHAIR DANIEL BEHRENDT AND SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR KHIN KHIN GYI THAT THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETINGS OF NOVEMBER 14, 2023 AND DECEMBER 19, 2023.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: DANIEL BEHRENDT, EMILY DIBINY, JONATHON DILWORTH,
RACHEL FELDSTEIN, ROBERT GAGNIER, KHIN KHIN GYI,
LEONARDO WILBORN

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: AMY CHERNESS, DARRYL CHERNESS

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Carrie Bell, Urban Alchemy, provided an update on Safe Sleep Wellness Village, discussed the number of participants; those who have moved from Wellness Village to Project Homekey; the number of people planned to move from Wellness Village to Project Homekey in the next week; and statistics on those who exited the program and their reasons for leaving the program.

Jackie Arlo, Exodus Recovery, provided an update on Project Homekey, discussed the number of participants in the permanent supportive housing side; number of participants

planning to move to the interim housing side; and she expected 90% occupancy of the site by mid-March 2024.

Tevis Barnes, Housing and Human Services Director, provided an update on Healthcare in Action; discussed the contracted mobile healthcare services provided; and planned service hours and days of service beginning in mid-March 2024.

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Order of the Agenda

None.

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Action Items

Item A-1

(1) Discuss ACOHH 2023 Accomplishments and 2024 Work Plan; and (2) Authorize ACOHH Chair or Vice Chair to Report on ACOHH 2023 Accomplishments and 2024 Work Plan During the Next City Council Meeting on February 26, 2024

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding accomplishments and priorities for the 2023-2024 workplan including completion and opening of Project Homekey in October 2023; number of units provided for homeless housing, permanent supportive housing, and interim housing; Exodus Recovery as the lead service provider for Project Homekey; completion and opening of the Safe Sleep Wellness Village Program in July 2023; number of tents providing interim housing for chronically unhoused individuals who are not yet ready to be permanently housed; Urban Alchemy as the lead service provider for the Safe Sleep Wellness Village; completion of the 2024 Homeless Count; the Committee visit to LifeArk during the October 2023 meeting to view and understand other potential housing solutions; execution of the Master Lease Program with Rodeway Inn providing interim housing for the unhoused population in Culver City; and launch of the unarmed Mobile Crisis Team in March 2024 to respond to mental health emergencies in the City.

Additional discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding priorities including: assisting staff in the creation of a homeless stats dashboard for the website;

implementation of a Safe Parking Program; and updating the 2018 Homeless Plan.

MOVED BY MEMBER JONATHON DILWORTH AND SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR KHIN KHIN GYI THAT THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS AUTHORIZE THE ACOHH CHAIR OR VICE CHAIR TO REPORT ON ACOHH 2023 ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND THE 2024 WORK PLAN DURING THE NEXT CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON FEBRUARY 26, 2024.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: DANIEL BEHRENDT, EMILY DIBINY, JONATHON DILWORTH,
RACHEL FELDSTEIN, ROBERT GAGNIER, KHIN KHIN GYI,
LEONARDO WILBORN
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: AMY CHERNESS, DARRYL CHERNESS

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Item A-2

Staff and Homeless Count Subcommittee Will Provide an Update on the 2024 Homeless Count That Took Place on January 24, 2024

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding the 2024 Homeless Count; the overall decrease in numbers; and release of data by the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) in March 2024.

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Item A-3

Update From Staff Regarding Advisory Committee on Housing and Homelessness Member, Emily Dibiny's Meeting Absences

Emily Dibiny informed the Committee and staff that she had been unable to access her City emails as she had been locked out; reported that a family member had passed away recently; expressed the desire and intention to continue as part of the ACOHH moving forward; and she agreed to notify staff if she is unable to attend a meeting moving forward.

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Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda

Chair Daniel Behrendt invited public comment.

No public comment was received.

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**Items from Advisory Committee on Housing and Homelessness
Members/Staff**

None.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 9:30 p.m., the Culver City Advisory Committee on Housing and Homelessness adjourned to March 19, 2024.

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TEVIS BARNES

SECRETARY of the Culver City Advisory Committee on Housing
and Homelessness, Culver City, California

APPROVED

Daniel Behrendt

CHAIR of the Advisory Committee on Housing and
Homelessness, Culver City, California

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that, on the date below written, these minutes were filed in the Office of the City Clerk, Culver City, California and constitute the Official Minutes of said meeting.

Jeremy Bocchino
CITY CLERK

Date