

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

October 19, 2023  
10:30 a.m.

**Call to Order & Roll Call**

The special tour meeting of the Culver City Advisory Committee on Housing and Homelessness was called to order at 10:39 a.m. at LifeArk - 2642 Tyler Ave., South El Monte, CA 91733.

Present: Amy Cherness, Committee Member  
Darryl Cherness, Committee Member  
Jonathon Dilworth, Committee Member  
Rachel Feldstein, Committee Member  
Robert Gagnier, Committee Member  
Khin Khin Gyi, Committee Member  
Leonardo Wilborn, Committee Member

Absent: Daniel Behrendt, Chair  
Emily Dibiny, Committee Member

Staff: Christina Stoffers, Management Analyst

Also Present: Jeanne Black, member of the public

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**Public Comment for Items NOT On The Agenda**

None.

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**Receipt of Correspondence**

None.

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**Order of the Agenda**

No changes were made.

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**Action Items**

Item A-1

**Conduct an Advisory Committee on Housing and Homelessness Tour of El Monte's First Pilot Permanent Supportive Housing Project Called LifeArk. Please meet in the front of project site which is at 2642 Tyler Avenue, South El Monte, CA. Parking is available along the wall at the project site or on the street**

Paul Cho, Chief Financial Officer, LifeArk, conducted a tour of LifeArk El Monte; discussed the mission of the organization; lack of affordable housing availability for unhoused people in Los Angeles; the three building hybrid structure made up of pods where the unhoused can live in a safe micro-community providing permanent supportive housing in a program supervised by the Illuminated Foundation (IF); he noted that clients receive onsite case management through IF; and he indicated that the project-based voucher program consisted of a total of 19 single room occupancy (SRO) units on site including an onsite property manager.

Discussion ensued between LifeArk representatives and meeting attendees regarding clarification that Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) decides who is referred to a unit at LifeArk; approval of LifeArk by Housing and Community Development (HCD); LifeArk as meeting ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) requirements and California Building Codes; length of time to assemble one pod; structure materials; durability; and sound proofing.

Meeting attendees viewed all three hybrid building structures as well as one tenant unit which is made up of roughly 3.5 pods.

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**Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda**

Chair Daniel Behrendt invited public comment.

No public comment was requested.

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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 12:02 p.m., the Culver City Advisory Committee on Housing and Homelessness adjourned.

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TEVIS BARNES

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

APPROVED

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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.

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Jeremy Bocchino  
CITY CLERK

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Date