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CULVER CITY
COMMITTEE ON HOMELESSNESS

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
CULVER CITY
COMMITTEE ON HOMELESSNESS
CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA

January 12, 2016
7:00 p.m.

Call to Order & Roll Call

The meeting of the Culver City Committee on Homelessness
was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

Present: Ira Diamond, DPM, Chair
Deborah Wallace, Vice Chair
Alex Fisch, Committee Member
Kim Gibson, Committee Member
Evlynne Householder, Committee Member
Freddy Puza, Committee Member
Paul Taylor, Committee Member

Staff: Tevis Barnes, Housing Administrator
Eliana Garzaro, Clerk

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Pledge of Allegiance

Committee Member Alex Fisch led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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**Community Announcements by Board Members/Information Items
from Staff**

Chair Diamond expressed appreciation to staff, Upward Bound, and St. Joseph for their hard work and dedication; he read the mission statement of the Committee; discussed awareness; increases to the numbers of homeless; he read an

excerpt from a Los Angeles Time article on helping the homeless and creating housing units; discussed funding; temporary grants; pledges from Los Angeles County and the City of Los Angeles; El Nino relief; the Housing First model; and focus on the issue.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding funding mechanisms and distribution of the Los Angeles Times article from January 6, 2016 to Committee Members.

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Public Comment for Item Not on the Agenda

No speakers came forward and no cards were received.

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Consent Calendar

Item C-1

Approval of Minutes - November 17, 2015

THE CULVER CITY COMMITTEE ON HOMELESSNESS PASSED A MOTION APPROVING THE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 17, 2015.

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Order of the Agenda

No changes were made.

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Action Items

Item A-1

Monthly Report - 2016 Homeless Count Subcommittee

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding donations secured; food storage; the crock pot; excess food; review of the article/press release; the City website; appropriate graphics; Los Angeles Housing Services

Authority (LAHSA) graphics; registration through the LAHSA website; logistics; scheduling; the number of volunteers signed up; groups contacted so far; training; safety issues; the districts; boundaries; information sheets distributed to Committee Members; communication with the Police Department; potential concerns from residents; whether the clinician would be able to attend; the number of maps available this year; coordination with the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department; the importance of getting the release forms signed; the welcome message; the LAHSA presentation; the Police Department safety presentation; participation by the Fire Department; assignment of duties; thanks and introductions; supplies; handling of the t-shirts; deployment; instructions for the paperwork; hot spots; families; tallying the results; and delivering the information to LAHSA.

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Item A-2

Tour Upward Bound House and St. Joseph Center

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding confirmation of January 25, 2016 as the date for the tour of the St. Joseph Center; clarification on where to convene; limited parking; tours of different buildings; proximity; and the Upward Bound Tour scheduled for February 8, 2016.

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Item A-4

The Impact of El Nino on the Homeless

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding signage placement; areas where the homeless congregate; transporting the homeless to shelters; clarification that shelters will not accept pets or couples; limits to luggage allowed; 30-day storage; service and support animals; ADA compliance; payment options for hotels; logistics; criteria for hotel placement; assessment; concern with potential issues removing the person from the hotel when the time is up; resource help from St. Joseph; hotels that are willing to invoice the City; care to utilize the public's money wisely; the dollar

amount available for hotel stays; use for emergencies and safety in storm situations; distribution of ponchos by the Fire Department; work by St. Joseph to place people in shelters; those who refuse to go; outreach; enabling; those eligible for housing that will not take it; and distribution of El Nino information for homeowners.

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Public Comment for Items NOT on the Agenda

None.

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Items from Committee on Homelessness Members

Discussion ensued between staff, Committee Members and Gabriella Silva from St. Joseph Center regarding the best way to contact St. Joseph Center; fliers with contact information; walk-ins; protocol for homeless pets; a suggestion to filter requests through Tevis Barnes; scheduling for the next meeting; a potential subcommittee meeting to handle loose ends if needed; a suggestion to reach out to the Rotary Club and the Exchange Club; staff agreement to provide a checklist with a request for confirmation; and the amount of volunteers needed.

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Adjournment

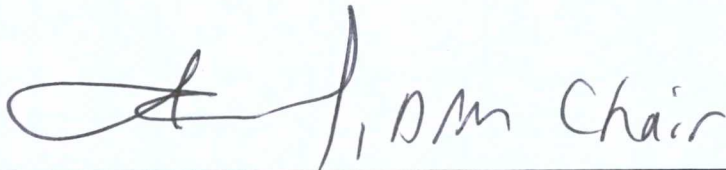
There being no further business, at 8:33 p.m., the Culver City Committee on Homelessness adjourned its meeting to Tuesday, January 19, 2016.

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TEVIS BARNES
SECRETARY of the Culver City Committee on Homelessness,
Culver City, California

APPROVED



IRA DIAMOND
CHAIR of the Committee on 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

January 12, 2016

City, California and constitute the Official Minutes of
said meeting.

Deputy Jeremy G 5 MAY 2016
Martin R. Cole Date Jeremy Green
CITY CLERK