

## City of Sunnyvale

# Excerpt Meeting Minutes - Draft Housing and Human Services Commission

Wednesday, October 26, 2022

7:00 PM

Teleconference Meeting: City Web

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Stetson called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 6 - Chair Elinor Stetson

Vice Chair Leesa Riviere
Commissioner Jim Davis
Commissioner Scott Duncan
Commissioner Sue Harrison
Commissioner Ken Hiremath

### **Council Liaison Russ Melton (present)**

2 22-0093 Biennial Review of Priority Needs for Human Services and Recommendation to City Council

Housing Programs Analyst Leif Christiansen gave the staff report and answered questions of staff.

Several commissioners expressed interest in increasing the amount of supplemental general funds. Officer Carloni noted that it was within the Commission's purview to make recommendations about the amount of the General Fund supplement. Commissioner Hiremath shared that this commission has proposed increases in the past and that the increases have been modest when successful.

Council liaison Russ Melton shared that he doesn't remember that any of the past proposals included an inflation index or anything similar.

Chair Stetson opened the public hearing at 7:24 p.m.

The following agency representatives spoke on behalf of their programs and the services that they provide. They noted that the need for their services continues to

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grow in the community.

- Marie Bernard, Keisha Miller and David Hernandez, Sunnyvale Community Services, Food Program, WorkFirst Program and Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Program for lower-income Sunnyvale residents.
- Robin Raynolds, Bill Wilson Center, Individual and Group Counseling services for Sunnyvale residents.
- Mira Chandra, Child Advocates of Silicon Valley, CASA Program for children in foster care.
- Georgia Bacil, Senior Adults Legal Assistance, free legal services for Sunnyvale seniors.
- Robin Wise, Downtown Streets Team, WorkFirst Sunnyvale program for Sunnyvale unhoused individuals.
- Teresa Johnson, The Health Trust, Meals of Wheels program for seniors and homebound Sunnyvale residents.
- Nigel Felix and Aditi Ahmud, MidPen Housing, Non Profit Affordable Housing Provider at Carroll Street Inn serving Sunnyvale low-income special needs and senior residents. Seeking funding to make the property environmentally sustainable and energy-efficient.
- Anne-Marie Hong, AbilityPath, Adult Services Program for Sunnyvale residents with physical and developmental disabilities.
- Raisa Alam, Next Door Solutions for Domestic Violence, services for Sunnyvale survivors of domestic violence.
- Carole Conn, Project Sentinel, Tenant/Landlord Mediation Services and Fair Housing Services for Sunnyvale residents.
- Angelica Holguin and Nnanna Nkele, Silicon Valley Independent Living Center, Housing Assistance services for Sunnyvale residents.
- Cecilia Chu, Friends for Youth, Mentoring Services for Sunnyvale youth.
- Ann Peterson, Live Oak Adult Day Services, adult social day care services for seniors who are unable to care for themselves and their caregivers.

Chair Stetson closed the public hearing at 9:20 p.m.

After a short discussion Chair Stetson asked for a motion.

MOTION: Commissioner Duncan moved and Vice Chair Riviere seconded the motion to Recommend to the City Council Alternatives 1 and 3: 1) Approve the list of priority needs as stated in the staff report, excerpted from the City's 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan submitted to the Department of Housing and Urban

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Development; and, 3) Approve supplemental funding in the amount of \$135,000 for human services grants for FY 2023/24 and FY 2024/25 with an annual inflationary increase.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Chair Stetson

Vice Chair Riviere
Commissioner Davis
Commissioner Duncan
Commissioner Harrison
Commissioner Hiremath

**No**: 0