City of Sunnyvale

Meeting Minutes - Final
Housing and Human Services Commission

Wednesday, March 22, 2017 **7:00 PM** **West Conference Room, City Hall, 456 W. Olive Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Evans called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Chair Evans led the salute to the flag.

ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Chair Patti Evans
Vice Chair Minjung Kwok
Commissioner Diana Gilbert
Commissioner Joshua Grossman
Commissioner Ken Hiremath
Commissioner Avaninder Singh
Commissioner Elinor Stetson

Council Liaison Glenn Hendricks (absent)

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Chair Evans asked if anyone wanted to discuss any of the items on the consent calendar. No one did.

1.A 17-0282 Approve the Housing and Human Services Commission Meeting Minutes of November 16, 2016

1.B 17-0284 Approve the Housing and Human Services Commission Meeting Minutes of February 22, 2017

Approve the Housing and Human Services Commission Minutes of February 22, 2017 as submitted.

1.C 17-0283 Approve 2017 Draft Master Work Plan

Chair Evans asked for a motion.

MOTION: Commissioner Gilbert moved and Commissioner Singh seconded the motion to approve the consent calendar as submitted.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Chair Evans
Vice Chair Kwok
Commissioner Gilbert
Commissioner Grossman
Commissioner Hiremath
Commissioner Singh
Commissioner Stetson

No: 0

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

2 17-0300 Evaluations and Funding Recommendations for FY 2017-18 Human Services Grants and CDBG Capital Project Loans

Housing Officer Suzanne Isé gave a short presentation and an explanation about how the federal budget affected staff's approach to the recommendations due to the high level of uncertainty.

The commissioners asked some questions of staff about the process before Chair Evans opened the public hearing at 7:36 p.m.

The following representatives spoke on behalf of their programs and thanked staff and the commissioners for their funding recommendations and past support.

- Pilar Furlong, Bill Wilson Center: Counseling Services for At-Risk Youth.
- Teresa Johnson, the Health Trust: Meals on Wheels Program
- Marie Bernard, Sunnyvale Community Services: Food Assistance Program
- Greg Pensinger, Downtown Town Streets Team: WorkFirst Sunnyvale Program.
- Martin Chavez and Amanda Olsen, Downtown Streets Team: Community Outreach Program
- Wanda Hale, Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County: Long Term Care Ombudsman Program.

- Craig King, Greater Opportunities: Capital Project Proposal for Rehabilitation of Cortez Semi-Independent Living Program Facility
- Georgia Bacil, Senior Adults Legal Assistance Program: Legal Aid for Seniors
- Dan Schmid, Life Moves: Homeless Shelter Program

Chair Evans closed the public hearing at 8:07 p.m.

After discussion and questions of staff, the commissioners agreed to take two separate actions, one to address the CDBG funding recommendations, and second one to address the General Fund grants for human services.

Chair Evans asked for a motion.

MOTION: Commissioner Gilbert moved and Commissioner Stetson secoded the motion to to recommend to Council Alternative 1: Recommend funding the human services proposals in the amounts shown in Attachment 2 and the capital project proposals as shown in the report, noting that Sunnyvale Community Services should receive the maximum grant amount, which is limited to 25% of the total funding available for human services.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Chair Evans
Vice Chair Kwok
Commissioner Gilbert
Commissioner Grossman
Commissioner Hiremath
Commissioner Singh
Commissioner Stetson

No: 0

After a lengthy discussion, consideration of possible options and questions of staff regarding General Fund grant recommendations, Chair Evans asked for a motion.

MOTION: Commissioner Grossman moved and Commissioner Hiremath seconded to recommend to Council the following:

- Provide a total of $150,000 in General Funds to be allocated as follows: $15,000 grants to each of the following programs: Long Term Care Ombudsman, Meals on Wheels, Day Break Cares, Friends for Youth Mentoring Services, DST Homeless Outreach and Engagement and Sunnyvale Youth and Family Counseling Program, and $10,000 each for all the other proposals received; or

● If Council does not appropriate $150,000 for the human services grants, then recommends appropriating $120,000 in order to fund all 12 proposals received each at the minimum grant amount of $10,000, or
● If Council does not appropriate $120,000, then the Commission recommends approval of the staff recommendation, as shown in Attachment 3 to the staff report, for distributing the planned $100,000. The 10 highest ranked proposals would each receive $10,000.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Chair Evans
Vice Chair Kwok
Commissioner Gilbert
Commissioner Grossman
Commissioner Hiremath
Commissioner Singh
Commissioner Stetson

No: 0

STANDING ITEM: CONSIDERATION OF POTENTIAL STUDY ISSUES

Commissioner Grossman recommended a study potentially around safe cities and how the City is going to work with respect to ICE enforcement with our own local police forces, vis-a-vis immigration raids and so forth.

Staff noted that proposed study issues need to be related to City policy and within the purview of the Commission. After additional clarification by Mr. Grossman, Director Ryan suggested that staff bring back a draft summary of the proposal for discussion at a future meeting.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS & COMMENTS

-Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Singh noted that he was glad to be part of the commission.

-Staff Comments

Staff welcomed the two newest members, Commissioner Hiremath and Commissioner Singh.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Evans adjourned the meeting at 9:26 p.m.