HOMELESS SERVICES OVERSIGHT COUNCIL (HSOC) SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Date

April 24, 2024

Time

3:00 pm-5:00 pm

Location

Rooms 356 & 358, Department of Social Services, 3433 S Higuera, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

Members (those approved with just cause/ emergency reasons) and the public were able to participate via zoom.

Members Present

Allison Brandum

Amelia Grover

Aurora William

Christy Nichols

Clint Weirick

Devin Drake

Jack Lahey

Janna Nichols

Jessica Thomas

Kathy McClenathen

Kristen Barneich

Luke Dunn

Marcia Guthrie

Margaret Shepard-Moore

Marie Bolin

Michelle Pedigo

Michelle Shoresman

Rick Gulino

Rochelle Sonza

Shay Stewart

Star Graber

Steve Gregory

Susan Funk

Susan Lamont

William Crewe

Members Absent

Brenda Mack

Dawn Ortiz-Legg

Jeff Smith

Mark Lamore

Rick Gulino Rick Scott

Wendy Blacker

Wendy Lewis

Zara Landrum

Staff & Guests

Austin Solheim

Becky Jorgeson

Brian Amoroso

Devon McQuade

Kelly Abbas

Daisy Wiberg

Erica Jaramillo

Laurel Weir

Lauryn Searles

Linda Belch

Lisa Murdoch

Merlie Livermore

Nathan Lenski

Nick Edney

Russ Francis

Scott Collins

Sister Theresa Harpin

Tony Navarro

Veronica Garcia

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Chairperson Michelle Shoresman called the meeting to order at 3:07 pm. HSOC members representing agencies who applied for HHAP funding were recused in Room 358. No introductions were made.

2. Public Comment

Representatives from Restorative Partners, City of San Luis Obispo, ECHO (El Camino Homeless Organization), HASLO (Housing Authority of San Luis Obispo), PSHHC (People's Self-Help Housing Corporation), and the 5 Cities Homeless Coalition presented and provided their agency's programs and the projects that would benefit from HHAP 3 & HHAP 4 funding allocations.

3. Action/Information/Discussion

3.1. Action Item: Recommend funding allocations of Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program – Round 3 (\$2,918,025.63), and Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program – Round 4 (\$1,734,767.51)

County Staff Tony Navarro of the Adult & Homeless Services Division presented slides showing the draft funding recommendations for the HHAP 3 and HHAP 4 State Grants programs (Attachment Agenda Item 3.1)

After Tony's presentation, Clint Weirick made a motion to accept staff recommendations. Shay Stewart seconded. After a thorough discussion, Susan Funk presented a counter recommendation to the staff's funding allocations. Susan's recommendation was to award funding of \$1,237,138 to 5Cities Homeless Coalition (5CHC); \$1,000,000 to the Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo (CAPSLO); \$1,200,000 to a partnership of the Housing Authority of the City of San Luis Obispo (HASLO) and the El Camino Homeless Organization (ECHO), consisting of \$1,000,000 for ECHO and \$200,000 for HASLO; \$100,000 to the Mixteco Indigena Community Organizing Project (MICOP); \$300,00 to People's Self-Help Housing; and \$200,000 to Restorative Partners.

Michelle Shoresman asked if there was any objection to withdrawing the motion on the floor which was to approve the staff's recommendation. There were no objections, so the motion was withdrawn. Michelle then asked for a new motion. Kathy Mclenathen made the motion to approve the recommendation of allocations as presented by Susan Funk, combining HHAP 3 & HHAP 4 to be allocated by county staff. The motion was seconded by Steve Gregory. Roll was called. Motion passed.

3.2. Discussion Item: Possible Amendments to the Bylaws to Give HSOC Chair the Authority to Appoint an Ad Hoc Committee to Approve Grant Recommendations Under Certain, Limited Circumstances; Update the Language to Reflect the Five-Year Plan; and Make Minor Corrections

Laurel Weir presented slides showing the proposed changes to the by-laws of the Homeless Services Oversight Council (attached to the agenda packet). She highlighted some recommendations for key changes in membership composition, term appointments of members and their alternates, member attendance and committees. Laurel also shared that the staff would review and make revisions if needed, then bring the changes to the next HSOC meeting in May. After approval of the by-law changes, the HSOC website will be updated with the names of the new committees.

5. Next Regular Meeting: May 15, 2024

6. Adjournment

Michelle Shoresman adjourned the meeting at 5:05 pm.