

SUMMARY MINUTES



STRATEGIC ACTION COMMITTEE ON HOMELESSNESS

- Increase Access to Permanent Housing
- Increase Access to Services to Support Exits from Homelessness
 - Expand Services for Subpopulations with Special Needs
 - Prevent Homelessness for Those at Risk
- Strengthen Public Engagement and Community Partnerships

Tuesday, September 22, 2020 – 5:00 PM

Special Meeting

Tulare Public Library- Olympic Room
475 North M Street
Tulare, CA 93274

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dave Clevenger, Samantha Gomez, Susan Henard, Chuck Miguel, Jim Pidgeon, Terry Sayre, Carolyn Wong

OTHERS PRESENT: David Goerzen, Sandra Goerzen & Darrel Hamilton

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chuck Miguel called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chuck Miguel gave the pledge.

III. INVOCATION

Susan Henard gave the invocation.

IV. CITIZENS COMMENTS – Comments from the public are limited to items listed on the agenda (GC 54954.3a). Speakers will be allowed 3 minutes. Please begin your comments by stating your name and providing your city of residence.

Darrel Hamilton addressed the committee by thanking the group for all the hard work that is in progress. Additionally, D. Hamilton also mentioned the need to work together and find a solution for the homeless population.

V. GENERAL BUSINESS

- (1) Approval of the minutes of September 22, 2020. Committee members received minutes to review via email prior to the meeting. Motion to approve the minutes as is, S. Henard, Second by C. Wong. One abstention from D. Clevenger, motion carried.

- (2) Dave Clevenger- Lighthouse Update

D. Clevenger informed attendees of the Lighthouse Rescue Mission's (LRM) strategic plan moving forward. This includes providing dignified opportunities, positive work environment and a peer support community.

Conversation was tailored to distinguish if efforts at the LRM will meet the needs to allow our local police department to get homeless individual's off the street.

- (3) C. Miguel combined items three "Community Perspective Discussion" & "Property Discussion Presentation"

No formal Property Discussion Presentation was brought forth. However members present discussed that a property location stills needs to be determined and presented to City Council for approval.

Discussion on potential locations included gaining information on the viability of property located at the Tulare Fair Grounds. Action item will include C. Miguel reaching out to a contact, with presentation pending for the upcoming meeting on October 13, 2020.

D. Clevenger also noted that the Kings Tulare Homeless Alliance (KTHA) Point-in-Time Count (PIT) for the City of Tulare is currently 203 with four children. The need will continue to increase unless action is taken. The link for the KTHA (PIT) count can be found at the following link:

https://static1.squarespace.com/static/579939fd197aea7457647213/t/5f49741c80198253d12c2af1/1598649379957/2020+PIT+Executive+Summary_Final+Final.pdf

- (4) Sam Gomez- Committee Membership & Updates

Applications for committee vacancy are still be accepted. Applications are due by 5PM on October 6, 2020 to the City Clerk.

S. Gomez will be working to secure a KTHA presentation on services and initiatives currently being implemented in Tulare County. Meeting presentation will be on Tuesday October 27, 2020.

- (5) Future Agenda Items for October 13, 2020 will include: Health and Human Services Update from Chaz Felix (Info. Session), Fairgrounds

Presentation/Discussion (Info. Session), Police Chief Discussion (Info. Session), Mayors Memorandum Committee Discussion (Action Item), Pathway Home Discussion (Info Session), Clerk Updates (Info. Session).

(6) Next meeting Tuesday, October 13, 2020 @ 5:00 PM.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Miguel adjourned the meeting at 6:16 p.m.