

**Nashville-Davidson County Continuum of Care
Homelessness Planning Council
January 9, 2019
10:00a – 11:30a
Howard Office Building, 700 2nd Ave. S.**

Attendees: Sean Muldoon, Beth Shinn, Liz Allen Fey, Kay Haley, Tom Turner, April Calvin, Catherine Knowles, Michelle Hall, Wendell Segroves, Floyd Shechter, Ashley Oswald, Freddie O’Connell, Paula Foster, Jennifer Reason, John Krenson, Tim Leeth, Norman Humber, Mina Johnson, Trina Frierson, Charles Strobel.

Staff: Judith Tackett, Suzie Tolmie, Treva Gilligan, Anne Havard (Mayor’s Office), Alex Dickerson (Metro Legal)

Starting Time: 10:00 am

Approval of Minutes: 17 in favor; 1 abstention; minutes approved.

Agenda Item 1: PSH/Service Center Discussion

Discussion:

- a) Liz Allen Fey led discussion: Does the HPC need to make a statement about the Mayor’s Office proposal/plan for the PSH/Service Center? If so, what would the statement be?
- b) HPC members reviewed comments from small group activity regarding Mayor’s proposal for PSH/service center and proposed land swap at CoC general membership meeting
 - i) Common concerns:
 - 1. Trust issues; lack of transparency during process of developing proposal
 - 2. Questions of sustainability; concern that the service center may lack funding in the future if not supported by tax revenue from proposed land swap
 - 3. Land swap is potentially divisive
 - 4. Co-location of services and housing; property manager should be distinct from service providers
 - 5. Need more information about who will be eligible for housing
 - ii) Common positive responses:
 - 1. Highly positive feedback from all groups regarding PSH/service center (distinct from land swap)
 - 2. Opportunity to replicate the model in multiple sites throughout the city, if it is successful
 - 3. Community needs affordable, low barrier housing; this proposal provides for that
 - 4. Centralized service center would make services more efficient
- c) HPC determined that it would be inappropriate to make a statement about the land swap at this time, without further information and feedback from CoC general membership
- d) HPC agreed to make a statement regarding the PSH/service center, distinct from the land swap

Votes: Motion for HPC to make the following statement regarding the PSH/service center: “The Continuum of Care Homelessness Planning Council resolves to support the creation of permanent

supportive housing with a companion service center, per the proposal presented by the Briley administration.”

Motion: Freddie O’Connell **Second:** Paula Foster

Discussion: HPC discussed motion and proposed the following amendment to the initial motion: “The Homelessness Planning Council further requests that the Briley administration work with the Continuum of Care membership on the design of the facility and services.”

Motion: Mina Johnson **Second:** Freddie O’Connell

Discussion: HPC discussed motion and proposed an additional amendment to the amended motion: “and further resolves that the process be collaborative, operate out of best practices, and have a clear plan for sustainability.”

Motion: Paula Foster **Second:** Freddie O’Connell

Final amended motion: Move to submit the following statement on behalf of the HPC: “The Continuum of Care Homelessness Planning Council resolves to support the creation of permanent supportive housing with a companion service center, per the proposal presented by the Briley administration. The HPC further requests the Briley Administration to work with the CoC membership on the design of the facility and service, and further resolves that the process be collaborative, operate out of best practices, and have a clear plan for sustainability.”

Motion: Freddie O’Connell **Second:** Mina Johnson, as amended.

Discussion: No further discussion.

Votes for Approval: Unanimous. Motion passes, as amended.

Votes: Motion for HPC to make the following statement regarding the Church Street Park: “The Continuum of Care Homelessness Planning Council resolves that Metro must make a coordinated effort to address the issues that have led to Church Street Park failing to achieve success as a public space.”

Motion: Freddie O’Connell **Second:** John Krenson

Discussion: HPC discussed motion. Note that this statement does not take the place of a statement on the land swap. *Note: Beth Shinn and Norman Humber left the meeting prior to this vote.*

Votes for Approval: 13 in favor; 1 opposed; 4 abstentions. Motion passes.

Agenda Item 2: Committee Discussion

Discussion:

- a) Overview of current committees – *deferred*
- b) Committee updates
 - i) Strategic Planning – Judith Tackett briefly reported on education session; gave update on Request for Proposals for facilitators of committee work (four proposals received, and will be ranked)
 - ii) System Capacity – *deferred*
 - iii) Governance Charter – *deferred*
- c) Other
 - i) Data Committee – Bill Friskics-Warren briefly reported on Data Committee’s work regarding racial/ethnic disparities; noted that current Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) from HUD includes questions about racial/ethnic disparities that our community is unable to answer; suggested the community begin self-assessment with four specific activities:

- (1) Contact other CoCs to determine how they responded to these questions in the NOFA
NOFA includes questions about racial/ethnic disparities;
- (2) Review HMIS data to identify who the community serves
- (3) Review Board member composition of CoC member agencies for racial/ethnic
equality
- (4) Conduct workforce survey regarding diversity of the workplace

Agenda Item 4: Staff Reports

Discussion:

- a) HMIS NOFA – Judith Tackett reported that Metro Homeless Impact Division is applying for additional HMIS funding through HUD NOFA and briefly reviewed what is requested in application; deadline Jan. 31st
- b) Cold weather shelter bed capacity report – *deferred*
- c) Point in Time Count – Jan. 22nd
- d) Veteran workgroup: 90 in 90 campaign – *deferred*; Judith Tackett will send out report
- e) December TA summary – *deferred*
- f) Collaborative Applicant report – *deferred*

Agenda Item 5: Other Business

Discussion: Business

- a) All items not discussed are moved to next meeting
- b) **Motion to adjourn:** Tim Leeth **Second:** Ingrid McIntyre **Votes to Approve: Unanimous**

Adjournment time: 11:30 am