



MINUTES

Thursday, December 17, 2020

2:30 pm to 4:30 pm

I. Roll Call

Chairperson Jessica Narayan called the meeting to order at 2:41 PM.
See Attachment A for Roll Call

II. Public Comment Period

Casey, Catholic Charities, acknowledged and commended Taryn Muralt for years of service.

John Mataka, community member and with Grace and Neighborhood council, suggested that community members be present on decisions on funding. Also recommended a shelter in the city of Riverbank focused on Latino communities.

Kendra D., with Unite Us, commended all the great work, and offered services through a specific platform to support homeless work.

Mark Galvan, community member, shared the agreement made with an agency out of San Francisco that will be working with undocumented workers and low rent renters to transition from homelessness or avoid homelessness.

III. Approval of Minutes

a. Minutes for the November 19, 2020 Regular Meeting

On a motion by Member Linda Julien and seconded by Member Maryn Pitt, the minutes were unanimously approved. (Y-13/N-0)

b. Minutes for the December 3, 2020 Special Meeting

On a motion by Maryn Pitt and seconded by Liz Talbott, the minutes were unanimously approved. (Y-13/N-0)

Harold Laubauch, Jr. joined meeting at 3:52 pm and therefore was omitted from initial roll call and approval of minutes.

IV. Action Items

a. Emergency Solutions Grants Program – Coronavirus (ESG-CV) Notice of Funding Availability (Round 2)

- i. **ACTION** – Provide guidance to the Administrative Entity on the development of the Notice of Funding Availability, Application, Scoring Criteria and Process and



direct the Administrative Entity to return to the CSOC with a draft Notice of Funding Availability, Application, and Scoring Criteria and Process for approval

Angela Freitas gave summary on ESG-CV Round 2 funding including priorities. Gave recommendations from SHA meeting discussed on December 9, 2020. Options including 1) a two phased approach, 2) The traditional scoring criteria and application process, and 3) a hybrid of the two phased/traditional approach

Questions, Guidance, Concerns, and Recommendations were given:

- Members shared concerns that option 1 may be a conflict of interest as there few members remaining to vote
- Members shared concerns about inclusivity and outreach for the funding allocations
- Members suggested “safer” options being either option 2 or 3
- Members suggested funding for renovations and building rehabilitation be included in funding
- Freitas offered clarification on funding priorities: renovations more than general maintenance might not be the best use due to environmental review
- Members shared concerns about the tiered pricing model, namely Tier 4
- Freitas offered clarification on offering a solution for the tiered pricing model that is more balanced than currently shown
- Freitas offered clarification about a shift in funding as the phases move forward
- Members shared concerns about funding being rushed but also being sure that the criteria is met to help the homeless
- Members suggested using funding for what the community is asking for, including shelters available for Spanish speaking individuals
- Freitas clarified that the deadline to expend 20% of funding is July 31, 2021 and urges the CSOC to make a decision on next steps.
- Phase 1 would be Jody Hayes’ proposal and Phase 2, Brad Hawn’s proposal.
- Freitas suggested option 1 due to large sum of money and having a focus on strategy will be helpful
- Members shared concerns about voting today
- Dana Bailey shared clarification on HMIS funding which includes cost of licenses, technical support, training, monitoring of processes, adding providers, and more.
- Phase II should start around June/July
- Members would like to see a report on collaborative applicant funds committed to date.
- Clarification was given on who can and cannot vote. Members that are directly eligible for benefits, whether they choose to apply for benefits or not, cannot vote and must abstain.



Public Comments:

- Concerns about veteran's community and issues with housing/funding due to COVID. There are concerns that this group will not receive adequate funding with this plan.
- Suggested a change to include a rental assistance program in this funding strategy.
- Concerns with conflict of interest in the board/chair members. Suggested to table all votes to solve conflict of interest. Suggested decision be more inclusive of community members rather than organizations to address issues of conflict of interest.

On a motion to move forward with Phase 1 as recommended by the AE (Emergency Shelter with Modified Rapid Re-Housing) by Jaime Betancur and a second by Maryn Pitt, the motion was approved. (7-Y, 1-N, 6 abstained)

On a motion to move forward with Phase 2 of Emergency Shelter and Street Outreach by Maryn Pitt and a second by Frank Ploof, the motion was approved. (8-Y, 1-N, 5 abstained)

b. **2021 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count**

- i. **ACTION:** Confirm CSOC authorization to forego the in-person Unsheltered Count and pursue a HUD waiver of Biennial PIT count with substitution of 2020 HMIS data.

Kyle De Jesus presented on the 2021 Point in Time options. Full list of details and options can be seen in presentation slides. De Jesus offered clarification that the unsheltered counts are required by HUD every odd year, this being a mandatory year for the unsheltered count. The Stanislaus community conducts its count annually.

With a motion from Maryn Pitt, and a second by Harold Laubach Jr., the motion was unanimously approved. (12-Y, 0-N) 2 chair members had to step away from meeting and are therefore omitted from this vote.

V. **Meeting adjourned at 4:49 pm**

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, January 21, 2021 from 2:30 pm – 4:30 pm
Location: via Zoom

Tabled Items

- **COVID-19 Emergency Homeless Funding**
 - **ACTION** – Approve process to request reimbursement of operational/material costs incurred during COVID-19 emergency period.
 - **ACTION** - Approve reimbursement request submitted by Cambridge Academies for the Naomi's House project up to \$98,792.00.



- **Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Round II funding**
 - ***ACTION***—Provide authorization to apply for \$1,071,860 allocation of HHAP
- **Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP)**
 - ***ACTION*** – Approve accumulated interest expenditure plan.



ATTACHMENT A - ROLL CALL - CSOC COUNCIL

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Attendance

FUNDERS	1	Entitlement Jurisdiction: Modesto	Jessica Narayan - CDM	P
	2	Entitlement Jurisdiction: Turlock	Maryn Pitt – Asst. to City Mgr.	P
	3	Entitlement Jurisdiction: Riverbank	Sean Scully	A
HOUSING/SERVICE PROVIDERS	4	Permanent Supportive Housing Provider	Tamra Losinski	P
	5	Transitional/Rapid-Rehousing Provider	Esther Rosas	P
	6	Emergency Shelter Provider	Harold Laubach Jr	P
	7	Youth Services Provider	Taryn Muralt	P
	8	Victims Services Provider	Lakin Ambriz	P
	9	Housing Authority of Stanislaus County	Michele Gonzales	A
	10	Veterans Services - VA Palo Alto Health Care System, Supervisory Social Worker or HUD-VASH Program Team Member	Jaime Betancur	P
	11	Healthcare Provider	Liz Talbott	P
	12	Senior Service Provider - Stanislaus County of Aging & Veterans Services	Margie Palomino	A
BROADER COMMUNITY	13	Lived Experience 1	Dawn Dominguez	P
	14	Lived Experience 2	Jason Conway	A
	15	Lived Experience 3	VACANT	
	16	Homeless Advocate	Linda Murphy-Julien	P
	17	Faith Sector Representative	VACANT	
	18	Neighborhood Representative	Frank Ploof	P
	19	Education Community Representative	Fred Berry	P
	20	Business Community Representative	VACANT	
	21	Philanthropy Representative	Francine DiCiano-Foley	P
	22	Law Enforcement Representative	Chief Erin Kiely	A

A – Absent

P - Present