

Sonoma County Continuum of Care Board Meeting Meeting Minutes

October 7, 2021 1:00 -3:30 pm Pacific Time – Meeting held by Zoom

Recording of Meeting

1. Welcome and Introductions (0:03)

- Ben Leroi, Continuum of Care (CoC) Board chair, called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm. Ben Leroi went over the agenda, clarified Zoom rules around public comment and Brown Act guidelines.
- Roll Call was taken:
 - Present: Supervisor Chris Coursey; Tom Schwedhelm, City of Santa Rosa; Jennielynn Holmes, Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Santa Rosa; Chuck Fernandez, Committee on the Shelterless; Ben Leroi, Santa Rosa Community Health; Angela Struckmann, Sonoma County Human Services; Margaret Sluyk, Reach For Home; Alena Wall, Kaiser Permanente; Cheyenne McConnell, Youth Community Member; Don Schwartz, City of Rohnert Park; Lisa Fatu, Social Advocates for Youth; Bill Carter, Sonoma County Health Services
 - Absent: Ludmilla Bade, Lived Experience Representative; Stephen Sotomayor, City of Healdsburg Services; Kevin McDonnell, City of Petaluma

2. Agenda and Minutes Approval (00:09-00:26)

Staff recommends to make item 4 an action item.

Ludmilla Bade arrived at this time.

Public Comment:

None at this time.

Tom Schwedhelm motioned to approve the agenda with item 4 as an action item; Bill Carter seconded.

Ayes: Ben Leroi, Jennielynn Holmes, Tom Schwedhelm, Chuck Fernandez, Ludmilla Bade, Don Schwartz, Chris Coursey, Angela Struckmann, Alena Wall, Margaret Sluyk, Bill Carter, Lisa Fatu, Cheyenne McConnell

Noes: None Abstain: None

Absent: Kevin McDonnell, Stephen Sotomayor

3. ESG-CV Ad Hoc Recommendations (00:08-00:50)

Michael Gause, Ending Homelessness Program Manager and Karissa White, Continuum of Care Coordinator, presented on the Fiscal Year 2021 CoC Competition Evaluation. The Ad Hoc comprised of Ludmilla Bade, Tom Schwedhelm, Angela Struckmann, and Kevin McDonnell met to recommend rankings. This annual competition provides direct HUD funds to grantees and has categories for renewal projects and new projects. Staff is looking for the board to confirm rankings so that they can be publically posted and the full application will be submitted by November 16, 2021.

Stephen Sotomayor arrived at this time.

Recusals: Lisa Fatu Jennielynn Holmes Margaret Sluyk Ben Leroi Chuck Fernandez

Tom Schwedhelm served as interim chair.

Public Comment: Gregory Fearon Judy

Chris Coursey motioned to accept staff recommendation on the CoC Competition Evaluation; Alena Wall second

Ayes: Ludmilla Bade, Don Schwartz, Chris Coursey, Angela Struckmann, Alena Wall, Stephen Sotomayor, Bill Carter, Cheyenne McConnell, Tom Schwedhelm,

Noes: None Abstain: None

Absent: Kevin McDonnell

Recused: Ben Leroi, Jennielynn Holmes, Chuck Fernandez, Margaret Sluyk, Lisa Fatu

4. Coordinated Entry Policy and Project Homekey Update (:50-:59)

Michael Gause, Ending Homelessness Team Manager, and Dave Kiff, Interim Executive Director, provided an update on Project Homekey and the Coordinated Entry Policy. There is a community effort to help fund Project Homekey supportive services. Staff is looking for future approval from the Board of Supervisors and the Continuum of Care board to adopt a funding framework for supportive services from HHAP, Measure O, and local revenues.

Public Comment: None at this time

5. Homeless Housing and Assistance Program (HHAP 3) Standard Discussion (1:00- 1:16)

Michael Gause, Ending Homelessness Manager, presented on this funding source. The HHAP can be done in a couple of ways. Board and County can apply separately or can apply together. Staff is looking for a recommendation from the board on applying together or separately. A binding resolution would come later.

Public Comment: Gregory Fearon Adrienne Lauby

Chris Coursey motioned to accept that the Continuum of Care and the County submit a joint application for HHAP 3 funds and CoC as the administrative entity; Tom Schwedhelm seconded.

Ayes: Ludmilla Bade, Don Schwartz, Chris Coursey, Angela Struckmann, Alena Wall, Stephen Sotomayor, Bill Carter, Cheyenne McConnell, Tom Schwedhelm, Ben Leroi, Jennielynn Holmes, Chuck Fernandez, Margaret Sluyk, Lisa Fatu

Noes: None Abstain: None

Absent: Kevin McDonnell

6. Public Comment on Non-Agendized Items (1:17-1:20)

Edward Campagnola

Meeting Adjourned at 2:20 PM