



Minutes - Draft

2019 Homelessness Resources Committee

VICE MAYOR JIM STEINER
COUNCIL MEMBER YOLANDA CARRILLO

Wednesday, February 20, 2019

3:00 PM

Council Board Room

1. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order by Vice Mayor Jim Steiner at 3:03 p.m. In addition to the Committee Members, the following individuals were in attendance:

Michele Nissen, Asst. City Magr.
Naomi Ramirez, Management Svcs. Asst.
Brad Fieldhouse, City Net Executive Director
Karen Alexander, Planning & Housing Commissioner

Others Present:

Joe Morgan, Resident	Luisa Tassan, ASM Cervantes
Cari Smith, Resident	Kasey Brennan, Resident
Mark Allert, Resident	Evelyn Flores, Corona Comm. Health Clinic
Jade Pasik, RUHS	Sharon Dodgson, Resident
Fauzia Rizvi, FTP	Henna Jalal, Resident
Sally Carlson, Corona/Norco Settlement House	
Virgina Coriddi, Corona/Norco Settlement House	

3. Agenda Items

- A. [19-0153](#) Update on SWOT Analysis and Asset Mapping Meeting.
Action: Discussion & Information

Vice Mayor Jim Steiner introduced the newly established committee and thanked staff and community for their efforts. He noted that the homelessness issue is not an overnight fix and this committee is the first step in attempting to work with multiple agencies and non-profit/ community groups to discuss the issue of homelessness.

Vice Mayor Steiner provided the committee with a brief update on previous events related to homelessness that have occurred in the past thirty days. These events included: the Study Session on January 23, 2019, the Sierra Del Oro community meeting held on January 26, 2019, and the Point in Time Count on January 29, 2019. Vice Mayor Steiner stated that the 2019 Homelessness Resources Committee meeting to be held on the third

Wednesday of the month at 3 p.m. at Corona City Hall.

Ms. Michele Nissen, Assistant City Manager, shared details with the committee on an upcoming SWOT Analysis workshop and Asset Mapping meeting tentatively scheduled for March 11, 2019, at Corona City Hall. Ms. Nissen provided the committee a draft questionnaire that will be made available at the SWOT Analysis workshop to help identify resources that are available for homelessness assistance. She noted the goal of the SWOT Analysis workshop is to help establish a strategic planning technique to assist us identifying strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats related to the homelessness issues in Corona.

Vice Mayor Jim Steiner inquired about the date and time of the SWOT workshop and possibly pushing the meeting back a few weeks to allow enough time to notify the public and community groups.

Ms. Nissen further provide the committee with a report regarding the services that City Net have provided to the City of Corona for the months of December 2018 and January 2019. She noted that the monthly reports that are provided by City Net are available on the city's website. The monthly reports provide feedback on activity, resources and contacts. Ms. Nissen stated that the Point and Time Count held on January 29, 2019, is scheduled by Riverside County and is required to receive Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funds. Ms. Nissen noted that she has submitted the application for the City of Corona to participate in the Riverside County Continuum of Care.

Ms. Karen Alexander, Planning and Housing Commissioner, inquired about the City Net's monthly report and the numbers reported. Mr. Brad Fieldhouse, City Net Executive Director, clarified that the numbers reported do not include the Point and Time Count done by the county. The numbers reflect individual interactions.

Mr. Fieldhouse shared with the committee an overview of the services and outreach City Net has provided over the past few months. He explained how City Net makes initial contact and their process to start a case. He noted that City Net is scheduling a separate census from the Point and Time Count to be conducted. The goal is to gain an accurate count and begin the intake process for individuals. City Net wants to create a more personalized census with a few invested volunteers, community groups, non-profit organizations and city support.

Mr. Joe Morgan, Resident, inquired about surrounding cities participating with Corona and possibly combining efforts. Staff responded that surrounding cities do not have the same number of homelessness or

funding available to use sources like City Net.

Ms. Luisa Tassan, Assemblymember Sabrina Cervantes' Office, inquired about the binary list that City Net creates and HMIS database that is a county wide system and tracks each case. Mr. Fieldhouse noted that City Net does enter cases when appropriate to the database. This is done to help keep an accurate count and score with street outreach and street exits.

Ms. Cari Smith, Resident, commented on working with local organizations that have a close connection with the local homeless to create a safe and welcoming environment to have an accurate census. Mr. Fieldhouse commented that the goal is to create a fluid conversation and interaction. They will need help and guidance of the community to gain insight of Corona's needs.

Ms. Tassan inquired the steps that Corona is taking on accounting funds to support efforts on homelessness. She stated there are multiple options and applications available for grants and funding. The committee noted they will be working on gathering information on the opportunities and options available for funding. Vice Mayor Steiner stated that this is a learning process and appreciate any assistance or information on resources available.

The Committee noted that advertisements for the SWOT workshop will be posted in the upcoming weeks and the next 2019 Homelessness Resources Committee meeting will be held on March 20, 2019 at 3 p.m. in the Management Services Department at Corona City Hall.

2. Public Comments

None.

Item was taken out of order

4. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.