

**CITY OF SURPRISE
VETERANS, DISABILITY, AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION**

MEETING MINUTES-APPROVED

August 11, 2021 / 6:00 PM

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS
16000 North Civic Center Plaza
Surprise, AZ 85374**

A. CALL TO ORDER.

Chair Karissa Perry called the Veterans, Disability, and Human Services Commission Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at Surprise City Hall, 16000 North Civic Center Plaza, Surprise, Arizona 85374, on August 11, 2021.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B. ROLL CALL

In attendance were Chair Karissa Perry, Commissioners John Billcheck, Shawna Daigle, Steffen Hanzel, Julie Kent-Partridge, Harrylouis Rodriguez, Gwen Mendez, Jason Cooper, Phillip Lair, and Nickolas Kupper.

Absent: Commissioner Lisa Everett (excused).

STAFF PRESENT:

Human Service & Community Vitality Administrator Danielle Osborne, Director Seth Dyson, Financial Analyst - Sr. Deb Perry, Neighborhood Services Supervisor Adam Lane, Assistant City Attorney Hobie Wingard and Administrative Specialist Karina Caraveo were present.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councilmember Remley

C. CURRENT EVENTS REPORT

Chair Perry reported on the following upcoming events:

- Day of Service
 - August 25th & Sept 22nd at St. Mary's Food Bank
- A Tribute to our Heroes Exhibit
 - September 3rd 5:00 – 7:00 pm, hosted by the West Valley Arts Council, The Vista Center for the Arts, and Ground Floor Artists
- Youth Night
 - August 13th 7:00 – 10:00 pm Sierra Montana Recreation Center
- 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony
 - September 11th 8:30 – 9:15 am City Hall Central Courtyard

- Heat Relief Stations
 - Surprise Resource Center
 - Surprise Fire-Medical Station 301
 - The Salvation Army Sun Cities Valley Corps
- City offices will be closed
 - September 6th in observance of Labor Day

Commissioner Rodriguez reported on the following events:

- Coffee for Vets
 - August 28th 9:00 – 11:00 am at the AZ Techcelerator
- Agent Orange Awareness Event
 - August 24th in Chandler AZ

Commissioner Kent-Partridge reported on the following events:

- VetLink Foundation Coffee for Vets
- Veteran Stand Down
 - October 9th at the AZ TechCelerator
- VetLink Foundation Support groups
 - Woman Warriors Support Group
 - Brunch with the Boys
- DES Virtual Information Forum
- Division of Developmental Disabilities
- AZ National Guard Resiliency
- Tricare Military Medical Insurance program
- Making Noise for Autism
 - November 14th 9:00 – 1:00 pm Rio Vista Community Park in Peoria
- Motors & Meals
 - October 30th 11:00 – 3:00 pm Beardsley Park in Sun City West

D. STAFF REPORT

Administrator Danielle Osborne reported the following:

- Welcomed new Commissioners
- Transit Workgroup
- HSCV Veterans Roundtable 8/25/21

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

None

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS PUBLIC HEARING:

None

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS NON-PUBLIC HEARING:

Item 1 – Citywide – Consideration and action pertaining to the approval of the June 9, 2021 Veterans, Disability and Human Services Commission meeting minutes.

Commissioner Hanzel made a motion to approve the June 9, 2021 Veterans, Disability, and Human Services Commission Meeting minutes. Commissioner Billcheck seconded the motion. The motion carried with 10 yes votes, 1 Absent (Everett).

Item 2 – Citywide – Consideration and action pertaining to the nomination and election of the Veterans, Disability and Human Services Commission Chair.

Ms. Osborne explained the nominations and voting procedures to the Commission.

Commissioner Hanzel nominated Karissa Perry. Commissioner Daigle seconded.

The Commissioners submitted their votes. Karissa Perry was selected as the Veterans, Disability and Human Services Commission Chair. Ten votes yes, 1 Absent (Everett).

Item 3 – Citywide – Consideration and action pertaining to the nomination and election of the Veterans, Disability and Human Services Commission Vice Chair.

Commissioner Daigle nominated herself.

Commissioner Rodriguez nominated himself.

Commissioner Mendez nominated Julie Kent-Partridge.

The Commissioners submitted their votes. Shawna Daigle received three votes (Hanzel, Perry, Daigle), Harrylouis Rodriguez received two votes (Kupper, Rodriguez), and Julie Kent-Partridge received five votes (Kent-Partridge, Lair, Mendez, Billcheck, Cooper). Julie Kent-Partridge was selected as the Veterans, Disability and Human Services Commission Vice-Chair.

Item 4 – Citywide – Presentation and discussion pertaining to Work For Warriors Arizona.

Marketing Program Coordinator Geoff Partridge made the presentation to the Commission.

Item 5 – Citywide – Discussion and action pertaining to the establishment of a Housing Support Center.

Human Service & Community Vitality Director Seth Dyson, Neighborhood Services Supervisor Adam Lane, and A New Leaf Chief Program Officer Kathy DiNolfi made the presentation to the Commission.

Councilman Remley spoke in front of the Commission.

Chair Perry moved to approve the establishment of a Housing Support Center. Commissioner Hanzel seconded the motion. Motion carried with 10 yes votes, 1 absent (Everett).

Item 6 – Citywide – Presentation and discussion pertaining to the “Servants of Surprise” (SOS) program.

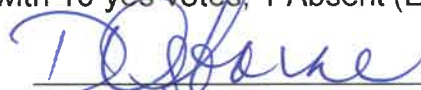
Ms. Osborne made the presentation to the Commission.

OTHER BUSINESS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- Ridechoice Program
- NW Valley Connect
- Care & Share Expo Update

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Rodriguez made a motion to adjourn the meeting of the Veterans, Disability & Human Services Commission of August 11, 2021 at 6:34 p.m. Commissioner Billcheck seconded the motion. The motion carried with 10 yes votes, 1 Absent (Everett).



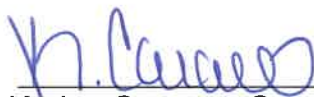
Danielle Osborne
HSCV Administrator



Karissa Perry
Veterans, Disability and Human Services Commission Chair

The foregoing instrument is a full, true, and correct copy of the original document on file in the office of the City Clerk, City of Surprise, Arizona.

ATTEST BY:



Karina Caraveo, Commission Liaison

DATE:



10/14/21