

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

MEETING MINUTES

March 11, 2020 / 6:00 PM

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

CALL TO ORDER.

Vice-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 March 11, 2020.

A. ROLL CALL

In attendance were Vice-Chair Karissa Perry and Commissioners Kathryn Chandler, Dan Moore, Shawna Daigle, Steffen Hanzel, Julie Kent-Partridge, and Andrew Witzel. Chair George Van de Langeryt and Commissioners Larry Brown, Bruce Hertzog, Tom Short and were absent (all excused).

STAFF PRESENT:

Human Service & Community Vitality Director Seth Dyson, Human Services & Community Vitality Manager Joe Gladieux, Neighborhood Services Supervisor Adam Lane, Neighborhood Services Program Coordinator Adriane Clarke, Human Services Supervisor Jennifer Griffin and Commission Liaison Yvonne Lopez were present.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

None

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. CURRENT EVENTS REPORT

Vice Chair Perry announced the following upcoming events:

- Disability Inclusion Awareness Day at the Ballpark
- Veteran Workshop on VA Aid & Attendance benefits
- Sunday in the Park Food Truck Festival
- Surprise Spring Training
- Census Mailings Arrive March 12-20; Count for your Community
- City of Surprise State of the City & 60th Anniversary

D. STAFF REPORT

Human Service & Community Vitality Director Seth Dyson gave a follow up on the Community needs assessment results forum that was held in February.

Julie Kent-Partridge the newest member of the Commissioner gave her introduction and background.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Vice Chair Perry opened the call to the public to discuss any items, not on the agenda.

Hearing none, Vice Chair Perry closed the call to the public.

CONSENT AGENDA:

None

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS – PUBLIC HEARING

None

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS NON-PUBLIC HEARING:

Item 1 – Internal – Consideration and action pertaining to approval of the February 12, 2020 Veterans, Disability and Human Services Commission meeting minutes.

Commissioner Daigle made a motion to approve the February 12, 2020 Veterans, Disability, and Human Services Commission Meeting minutes. Commissioner Hanzel seconded the motion. The motion failed with 5 yes, 2 abstain, and 4 absent.

Item 2 – Citywide – Consideration and action pertaining to the 2020 – 2024 Consolidated Plan Program Year 2020 Annual Action Plan and Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice.

With two Commissioners needing to recuse themselves from this item, Commissioner Witzel made a motion to table the item until the April 8, 2020 meeting, Commissioner Daigle seconded the motion. The motion passes seven yes votes.

Item 3 – Citywide – Presentation, and discussion pertaining to CDBG Program Year 2020 Annual Action Plan Funding Priorities, Sub recipient Selection, and Project Proposal Presentations.

With two Commissioners needing to recuse themselves from this item, Commissioner Witzel made a motion to table the item until the April 8, 2020 meeting, Commissioner Daigle seconded the motion. The motion passes seven yes votes.

Item 4 – Citywide – Presentation, and discussion pertaining to an overview of Community Legal Services.

Pam Bridge, Director of Advocacy and Litigation, from the Community Legal Services, presented item 4 to the Commission.

The Commission discussed the following:

- Eligibility
- Areas of Practice

- Housing Law
- Family Law
- Consumer Law
- Employment, Tax and Farmworker Law
- Health and Economic Stability Unit

Item 5 – Presentation and discussion pertaining to an overview of Blue Mountain Developmental Programs, LLC.

Terry Metzenberg, Chief Operations Officer, from the Blue Mountain Development Programs, LLC presented item 5 to the Commission.

The Commission discussed the following:

- Home and Community-Based Services to include Respite, Habilitation, Attendant Care and Employment
- Adult Day programs
- After School and Summer Programs

OTHER BUSINESS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

The Commission had an open discussion regarding items they would like added to future agendas. Items included:

Hearing none, Vice Chair Perry requested a motion for adjournment.

ADJOURNMENT:

Hearing no further business, Vice Chair Perry adjourned the Veterans, Disability, and Human Services Commission meeting at 7:48 p.m.

Paul Bernardo
Community Partnerships Manager

Karissa Perry
Veterans, Disability and Human Services Commission Vice 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: _____
Yvonne Lopez, Commission Liaison

DATE: _____