

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

MEETING MINUTES

December 11, 2019 / 6:00 PM

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

CALL TO ORDER.

Chair George Van de Langeryt 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 November 13, 2019.

A. ROLL CALL

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

STAFF PRESENT:

Community Partnerships Manager Paul Bernardo, Human Service & Community Vitality Manager Joe Gladieux, Neighborhood Services Supervisor Adam Lane, Neighborhood Services Program Coordinator Adriane Clarke, Surprise Resource Center Supervisor Jennifer Griffin, and Commission Liaison Yvonne Lopez were present.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

None

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. CURRENT EVENTS REPORT

Chair Van de Langeryt announced the following upcoming events:

- #TechtheHalls
- Cookies & Crafts with Santa
- Sunday in the Park Food Truck Festival
- Adaptive Rec Holiday Event

D. STAFF REPORT

Community Partnerships Manager Paul Bernardo stated Vice Mayor Winters and Chief Young are engaged on the issue regarding accessible parking. There is also a Commission Vacancy that will not be filled at this time. City Council subcommittee has requested a review of various policies regarding boards and commissions. He also introduced the new Resource Center Supervisor, Jennifer Griffin.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Chair Van de Langeryt opened the call to the public to discuss any items, not on the agenda.

Hearing none, Chair Van del Langeryt closed the call to the public.

CONSENT AGENDA:

None

REGULAR AGENDA ITEM - PUBLIC HEARING:

Item 1 – Citywide – Consideration and action pertaining to approval of the City of Surprise HOME Consortium Annual Action Plan Amendement for Program Years 2017, 2018, and 2019.

Mr. Adam Lane, Neighborhood Services Supervisor, presented item 1 to the Commission.

Chair Van de Langeryt opened the public hearing.

Hearing no comments, Chair Van del Langeryt opened the discussion to commission member comments.

The Commission discussed the following:

- Action Plan Amendment
- Tenant Based Rental Assistance
- Housing Rehabilitation Program

Commissioner Hanzel made a motion to approve the Amended HOME Consortium Annual Action Plans for years 2017, 2018, and 2019. Commissioner Chandler seconded the motion. The motion passed with seven yes votes.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS NON-PUBLIC HEARING:

Item 2 – Internal – Consideration and action pertaining to the November 13, 2019 Veterans, Disability, and Human Services Commission Meeting minutes.

Commissioner Short made a motion to approve the November 13, 2019 Veterans, Disability, and Human Services Commission Meeting minutes. Commissioner Daigle seconded the motion. The motion passed with seven yes votes.

Item 3 – Citywide - Presentation and discussion pertaining to the Surprise Police Crisis Intervention Team.

Lieutenant Norm Owens, from the Surprise Police Department, presented item 3 to the Commission.

The Commission discussed the following:

- Community policing
- Improving responses for people in crisis
- Crisis Intervention - Emotional First Aid

Item 4 – Citywide – Presentation and discussion pertaining to research regarding acquiring designation as a Disability Friendly City.

Community Partnerships Manager Paul Bernardo, from Surprise Human Services & Community Vitality, presented item 4 to the Commission.

The Commission discussed the following:

- Corporate Entity (WalletHub)
- International Board of Credentialing & Continuing Education Standards
- Certified Autism Destination
- Process of certification
- Private philanthropic effort
- Firstplace

OTHER BUSINESS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

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

- Accessible Parking Code Presentation

ADJOURNMENT:

Hearing no further business, Chair Van de Langeryt adjourned the Veterans, Disability, and Human Services Commission meeting at 7:31 p.m.

Paul Bernardo
Community Partnerships Manager

George Van de Langeryt
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: _____
Yvonne Lopez, Commission Liaison

DATE: _____