

# **CITY OF KIRKLAND**

## **HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION**

### **Minutes of Regular Meeting**

#### **June 25, 2019**

#### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

The June 25, 2019, Human Services Commission Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Co-Chair Jonathan Stutz.

#### **2. ROLL CALL**

Commissioners present: Co-Chair Jonathan Stutz, Commissioners Michelle Alten-Kaehler, David Godfrey and Adam White.

Co-Chair Amy Falcone arrived at 7:15 p.m., Commissioner Gildas Cheung arrived at 7:08 p.m., Commissioner Dianne Bell arrived at 7:11 p.m., and Commissioner Max Reisman arrived at 8:18 p.m.

Staff present: Human Services Supervisor Leslie Miller and Youth Services Coordinator Regula Schubiger.

Recording Secretary: Senior Office Specialist Melissa Bartoletti.

Presenters:

Daniel Luebke, Patrol Officer, Kirkland Police Department  
Deana Lansing, Neighborhood Resource Officer, Kirkland Police Department  
Joel Bodenman, EMS Captain, Kirkland Fire Department  
Jess Bermudes, Vehicle Outreach Housing Navigator, The Sophia Way  
Kelly Lovins, Mental Health Resource Specialist, Friends of Youth  
Tom Miles, Outreach Navigator, Congregations for the Homeless  
Sasha Vines, Drop-in and Street Outreach Program Coordinator, Friends of Youth

#### **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

a. May 28, 2019

Motion to Approve the May 28, 2019 minutes as presented with the edition of the title of "Co-Chair" to the names of Jonathan Stutz and Amy Falcone in the last paragraph.

Moved by Commissioner Adam White, seconded by Commissioner Dianne Bell.

Commissioners Gildas Cheung and Michelle Alten-Kaehler Abstain.

Motion carried (Yes: 5, No: 0).

#### **4. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

No items.

## **5. Presentations**

- a. On the Frontline: First Responders Serving Community Members Experiencing Homelessness and/or with Behavioral Health Challenges

Each person on the panel shared their first-hand experiences and analysis from serving community members experiencing homelessness and/or behavioral health challenges and explained available services, and what resources they wish they had to be able to better serve those community members. Commission members and staff participated in the discussion.

Staff will update the emergency shelters resource list and send Commission members information on the need for a temporary site for the emergency women's shelter, and Real Change Resource Booklet.

## **6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a. Proposed Community Engagement Calendar  
Commissioners reviewed the Community Engagement Calendar handout as presented by Human Services Supervisor Leslie Miller and discussed desired site visits and panel discussion topics. In addition, Commission members expressed interest in having an update regarding ARCH in a future staff report.

Commissioner Gildas Cheung left at 9:11pm.

## **7. NEW BUSINESS**

### **8. COMMUNICATIONS**

- a. Commissioner Reports  
Commissioner Adam White joined NAACP and attended a meeting on June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019 and invited the Commission to join as well. The NAACP meets every 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month at the Washington State Labor Council Seattle location.

Commissioner David Godfrey shared information about the Free Summer Meals Program at the Kingsgate Library. Lunches are served at the noon hour Monday through Friday from June 24<sup>th</sup> to August 30<sup>th</sup> for ages 18 and younger.

Co-Chair Jonathan Stutz shared the benefits from attending a recent session of the Diversity Learning Series; facilitating three focus groups of women from Saudi Arabia and Dubai; and volunteering with his work team to make meals and snack packs for children in Seattle organization.

Co-Chair Amy Falcone represented the Human Services Commission at the first School Resource Officer Task Force meeting. The Task Force is comprised of mostly district staff

and police officers with few community members. Co-Chair Amy Falcone expressed the need for more diverse appointees.

- b. Staff Reports and Announcements  
No Reports.

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

Co-Chair Jonathan Stutz asked for a motion to adjourn. Co-Chair Amy Falcone motioned, Commissioner Dianne Bell seconded. Motion carried (Yes: 7, No: 0). The meeting was adjourned at 9:23 p.m.