



## **HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION MINUTES**

**November 13, 2014- 6:30 p.m.**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair McGregor called the November 13, 2014 regular meeting of the Human Services Commission to order at 6:32 p.m.

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Joyce Bowling (arrived at 6:35 pm), Brian Lord, Jared McMeen, Fran McGregor, and Lesley Schlesinger

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Leslie Hamada (excused) and Adam Wheeler (excused)

### **CITY STAFF PRESENT**

Victoria Throm, Personnel & Human Services Analyst

### **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

CM LORD MOVED AND CM SCHLESINGER SECONDED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA TO INCLUDE THE MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 9, 2014 AS WRITTEN. VOTE: 4-0. MOTION CARRIED.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** - There were no public comments.

### **PRESENTATION:**

*Item 1. Kristin Johnson-Waggoner, Communications Manager for the Road Map Project*

The Road Map Project is a collective impact initiative aimed at getting dramatic improvement in student achievement; cradle through college and career in South Seattle and South King County. The project goal is to double the number of students in SKC and South Seattle who are on track to graduate from college or earn a career credential by 2020. This initiative is committed to closing the unacceptable gaps for low-income students and children of color and increase achievement for all students from cradle to college and career. Kristin shared there are many various partners involved to form a team approach. Partners include educators, funders, school districts, governments, nonprofits and community activists. The region involves 120,890 students; 67% are students of color and 59% are low-income. Suburbs have become home to the largest growing poor population and the data Kristin showed confirmed the spike in growth to SKC in the past ten years.

Kristin presented the College Bound Scholarship opportunity which is a game changer. This state funded program will pay for full scholarships to qualified students who maintain a 2.0 GPA throughout high school. The students must apply 8<sup>th</sup> grade. In 2008-09 there were 51% of

students with a completed application. In 2013-14 the rate is 98% due to the work of the Road Map Project.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

*Item 2. Review 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Service Reports*

The commission members reviewed each service report noting the performance measure goals and the narrative comments from the program directors. Most of the programs have met or exceeded their annual goals already. There was a brief discussion regarding the staff cuts due to budget issues with the Capacity Building Project. Victoria spoke with the Caren Adams the Board President who reassured her that the South King Council of Human Services is confident of the direction Capacity Building Project is going. Victoria will also contact Mike Heinisch who serves on the Board to get his perspective.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

*Item 3. Final Review of 2015-16 Funding Recommendations*

Victoria asked the Commission to attend the Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> Council meeting to address any questions the Council may have since she has a scheduling conflict and cannot attend. Chair McGregor asked Victoria to email a copy of the Agenda Bill for the funding recommendation in order to review what council will be referring to.

Victoria explained that the council item is for discussion only and they will not make a decision to approve. Unless the council sends the recommendations back to the commission, which is very unlikely, then the funding goes into the general fund budget which will be approved on Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>.

**COMMENTS AND DISCUSSION OF COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF**

**CM LORD MOVED AND CM BOWLING SECONDED TO ADJOURN THE NOVEMBER 13, 2014 MEETING AT 8:02 P.M. VOTE 5:0. MOTION CARRIED.**

Submitted by:



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