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CITY OF COVINGTON
SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA
CITY COUNCIL JOINT STUDY SESSION WITH HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION
Council Chambers – 16720 SE 271st Street, Suite 100, Covington

Tuesday, April 22, 2014 - 6:15 p.m.

**Please note meeting start time **

GENERAL INFORMATION:
The study session is an informal meeting involving discussion between and among the City Council, Commission (if applicable) and city staff regarding policy issues. Study sessions may involve presentations, feedback, brainstorming, etc., regarding further work to be done by the staff on key policy matters.

CALL CITY COUNCIL JOINT STUDY SESSION TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ITEM(S) FOR DISCUSSION
1. Discuss Human Services Funding Level (Throm)

PUBLIC COMMENT Speakers will state their name, address, and organization. Comments are directed to the City Council, not the audience or staff. Comments are not intended for conversation or debate and are limited to no more than four minutes per speaker. Speakers may request additional time on a future agenda as time allows.

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*Note* A Regular Council meeting will immediately follow at approximately 7:00 p.m.
SUBJECT: DISCUSS HUMAN SERVICES FUNDING LEVEL FOR THE 2015-2016 GRANT APPLICATION CYCLE

RECOMMENDED BY: Human Services Commission

ATTACHMENT(S):
1. Human Services Funding History & Data Report
2. Human Services Commission Meeting Minutes of March 13, 2014

PREPARED BY: Victoria Throm, Personnel & Human Services Analyst

EXPLANATION:
The 2015-2016 application process for human services will begin in May with the acceptance of applications from agencies requesting assistance from the city. The review process continues through September when the Human Services Commission will make their final funding recommendations for selected programs. The base budget for human services funding is currently $105,000 and has remained at that level for six years. After reviewing the Human Services Funding History & Data Report, the commission agreed that the rise in population and changing demographics of Covington residents warrant a recommendation to increase the funding level an additional $10,000. This small increase will allow the commission to address increasing budgetary needs of the currently funded programs and be able to consider any new programs that provide services identified in the Human Services Master Plan assessment goals. The commission will need to know the amount of human service funds to allocate by the September commission meeting.

ALTERNATIVES:
1. Not to increase the human services funding.

FISCAL IMPACT:
The cost to the city’s general funds would be a total of $115,000 annually for the next two-year cycle which is an increase of $10,000.

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: _____Ordinance _____Resolution _____Motion  X Other

Provide input to the Human Services Commission.

REVIEWED BY: Derek Matheson City Manager; Rob Hendrickson Finance Manager; Noreen Beaufriere Personnel Manager
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- White alone - 13,472 (78.3%)
- Hispanic - 1,549 (9.0%)
- Asian alone - 919 (5.3%)
- Two or more races - 741 (4.3%)
- Black alone - 405 (2.4%)
- American Indian alone - 80 (0.5%)
- Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone - 37 (0.2%)
CALL TO ORDER
Chair Ahmad called the March 13, 2014 regular meeting of the Human Services Commission to order at 6:41 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT
Haris Ahmad, Joyce Bowling, Leslie Hamada, Mia McFarland, Lesley Schlesinger (arrived at 6:45)

MEMBERS ABSENT
CM McGregor-Hollums was excused
John Woodcock, unexcused

CITY STAFF PRESENT
Victoria Throm, Personnel & Human Services Analyst

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA
CM Hamada moved and CM McFarland seconded to approve the agenda to include the minutes from February 13, 2014 as written. Vote: 4-0. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
Chair Ahmad called for public comments to all visitors. There were no comments.

OLD BUSINESS:
Item 1. Plan Site Visit to Pediatric Interim Care Center on April 10, 2014
The commission agreed to meet at 6:00 p.m. for a brief business meeting and then carpool to the PICC facility in Kent. Victoria will contact the director and confirm the day and time.

Item 2. Review Joint Council Meeting Agenda
The joint meeting was moved to April 22, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in council chambers. There were two items to discuss with council: 1) request an increase of human service funds and 2) what part if any, would the Human Services Commission have with the addition of sports programs. Victoria prepared a chart of the amount of human service funding, population, percentage of free and reduced lunches in the school district, and one-night count of homeless in King County over the past 14 years. The data was helpful in showing a correlation of rise in population with needs. After a short discussion, there was consensus to ask for a $10,000 increase in funding for this next funding cycle.

NEW BUSINESS:
Human Services Commission
Minutes of March 13, 2014

Item 3. Election of Chair and Vice-chair to serve April 2014-March 31, 2015

Chair Ahmad opened the nominations for Chair.
CM Ahmad nominated Fran McGregor-Hollums for Chair. CM Schlesinger seconded the nomination. Vote: 5-0. Motion Carried to elect CM McGregor-Hollums as Chair.

Chair Ahmad opened the nominations for Vice-Chair.
CM Ahmad nominated Leslie Hamada as Vice-Chair. CM McFarland seconded the nomination. Vote: 5-0. Motion Carried to elect CM Hamada as Vice-Chair.

Item 4. Update on Commission Interview
Victoria said Council interviewed one student and four adults on March 11th. The remaining five students and one adult will be interviewed on March 25th with appointments made at the March 25th meeting. Victoria has been meeting with each candidate prior to their interviews to give them an overview of the commission so they have a better understanding.

Item 5. Review Storehouse Survey and Crisis Clinic Outcome Report
The 2013 outcome report was completed following a survey conducted by Storehouse. They distributed 131 surveys and 102 were completed and returned. 100% of those responded that the Storehouse made a positive difference in their life. They also re-designed their resource packet after meeting with Victoria. Several new resources were added and they put the information into a spiral bound book. 72 people responded that the information was helpful.

In addition, the Crisis Clinic 2-1-1 and Teen Link provided their demographic report and outcome report. It was noted that the demographics have changed with much more diversity in Covington.

Item 6. Farewell Celebration to Outgoing Commissioners
Terms for Commissioners Ahmad and McFarland will expire at the end of March. In honor of their final meeting, we celebrated with dessert as they both shared their future plans. We wish them both well in the coming years as they continue their higher education.

COMMENTS AND DISCUSSION OF COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF
With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Submitted by:

Victoria Throm
Personnel & Human Services Analyst