



CITIZENS' COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FULL COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, March 13, 2018
1 South Van Ness Avenue, 5th Floor, Room 5080
San Francisco, CA 94103
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

1. Call to Order at 5:12 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Clinton Loftman, Diana Kruze, Irene Riley, Marc Vogl, Elena Chavez Quezada, Emma Kelsey, and Peter Cohen (arrived at 5:35 p.m.).

Attendance: Brian Cheu (MOHCD), Pierre Stroud (MOHCD), Mike King (MOHCD), Janan Howell (OEWD), Holly Lung (OEWD), Tina Novero (OEWD), Kerry Abbott (HSH), Kat Daniel (OEWD), Gloria Woo (MOHCD), and Barry Roeder (MOHCD).

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- a. After reviewing the draft meeting minutes from November 14, 2017 and January 23, 2018, members recommended two edits to the January 23, 2018 meeting minutes:
 - i. In the future, MOHCD should note how often particular needs, topics and/or suggestions were voiced during the public hearing, to gain an understanding of priority; and
 - ii. In the Eviction Prevention breakout group, remarks about Greentree Property Management were omitted from the minutes and should be added.

Meeting minutes from November 14, 2017 and January 23, 2018, contingent on recommended edits noted above, were motioned by Irene Riley, seconded by Elena Chavez Quezada, and approved unanimously by the Committee.

3. Director's Report (Discussion Item)

- a. Update on immigration policy and programmatic issues regarding public services and housing.
- b. Right to Civil Counsel legislation passed through the Board of Supervisors and will be on the June 2018 ballot. If passed, it could result in \$4 to \$6 million in additional general fund costs for legal representation and counseling in eviction matters.
- c. Update on discussions with a coalition of Mission nonprofits regarding community needs, including a focus on funding new affordable housing.

4. Committee Members' Report (Discussion Item)

- a. None.

5. **New Business** (*Discussion and Action Items*)

Review Preliminary HUD Funding Recommendations and Action Plan for FY 2018-19

Brian Cheu provided an overview of the preliminary HUD funding recommendations and Action Plan for FY 2018-19. Members of participating departments provided summaries of their individual funding recommendations.

Homelessness and Supportive Housing (HSH)

Almost all Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds previously managed by MOHCD will be transferred to HSH for FY 2018-19. The two departments are in the process of identifying whether MOHCD will retain a \$123,000 grant to La Casa de las Madres for domestic violence shelter services. HSH does not currently have domestic violence shelters in its grant portfolio, but it does prioritize domestic violence survivors through its intake and assessment processes.

Kerry Abbott provided an overview of HSH, which has been operating for roughly a year and a half. A majority of ESG contractors are HSH contractors, so HSH will be looking to integrate ESG dollars into its portfolio in order to maximize the federal points system. Members discussed.

- Is the new HSH model working? Kerry explained that HSH is in the process of opening 3 new Navigation Centers at 5th and Bryant, Division Circle, and 125 Bayshore, respectively. It is also in the processing of opening programs with housing units for pregnant homeless women and persons who are homeless, while working with MOHCD on additional housing projects for the homeless. HSH is still in the process of implementing its coordinated entry system. The number of homeless persons in San Francisco has remained flat, which is positive considering increases in other American cities such as Los Angeles.

OEWD Workforce Development

Janan Howell provided an overview of OEWD Workforce Development. Workforce Development experienced a deficit of \$263,849 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) dollars, resulting in cuts to 4 programs. One of those programs, Health Care Bridge, is an introductory course to the health care sector provided by City College of San Francisco. Workforce Development was paying for student slots in this course, but with the advent of Free City College, those payments were no longer as necessary. OEWD is in conversation with City College to understand if the course will continue based on high demand. It appears that we would want to continue it based on Mission Bay health care hiring. CCCD members expressed an interest in receiving a future update from OEWD on demand for this course.

Federal funds are a small portion of OEWD's overall budget. One CCCD member requested that OEWD a full budget overview in the near future.

CCCD members were interested in OEWD's strategy for getting local hiring commitments from the tech sector. One member remarked that it appears very little has changed in the hiring of local residents into the tech sector. Kat Daniel provided an overview of OEWD's TechSF Initiative. Over the last 5 years, 75% of 2,500 participants were hired through TechSF into positions at 300+ tech organizations. No one major employer drove this hiring. These hires, however, represent a small percentage of the 60,000 to 70,000 tech jobs created over the last five years. CCCD members see this as an opportunity for low and moderate-income San Franciscans and a way to alleviate the strain on the city's housing supply. One member remarked that the City should consider a policy obligating the hire of local residents by tech companies.

OEWD Economic Development

Holly Lung provided an overview of OEWD Economic Development. Investments are citywide, as well as place-based. Economic Development reinvested \$70,000 in unspent funds to expand its support of 3 ongoing programs in various locations citywide.

MOHCD Community Development

Brian Cheu provided an overview of MOHCD Community Development. This year MOHCD recommends using difficult-to-spend HOPWA matching funds to fund long-term rental subsidies for persons living with HIV/AIDS; these services would be provided by Brilliant Corners.

MOHCD estimates a flat allocation across its four federal funding sources, as the U.S. Congress does not appear willing to approve the administration's proposed cuts. If cuts occur, MOHCD will propose to backfill those cuts with its housing development and capital pools (i.e. funds which are not dedicated to a particular project or agency). If the allocation(s) are increased, the increase will go into those same pools.

Brian noted that in certain cases, nonprofit grantees are struggling with their capacity, and as a result, funds could be re-procured to agencies who can provide the same service(s). CCCD members requested an update on agencies experiencing capacity challenges in the near future.

Preliminary HUD funding recommendations and Action Plan for FY 2018-19 were motioned by Clinton Loftman, seconded by Marc Vogl, and approved unanimously by the Committee.

The draft FY 2018-19 Action Plan will be posted for public comment on March 16, 2018.

Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH), Consolidated Plan and HIV Housing Plan Update

Gloria Woo and Barry Roeder provided an update on the upcoming Consolidated Plan and AFH processes. Two consultants were procured – Resource Development Associates to support the Consolidated Plan, and Enterprise Community Partners to support the AFH. Consultants may join the CCCD at its May meeting. Members discussed.

- CCCD members expressed a desire for an expanded role in discussing and developing policy, as well as in planning and implementing the community engagement process.
- CCCD members stressed the need to communicate these plans, and the policies therein, to leadership and other important stakeholders. How do we amplify voices from the community engagement process? Could we re-purpose AFH technical assistance funds for communication, visualization and other considerations?

6. Public Comment

- a. None.

7. Adjournment at 7:13 p.m.