

CITY OF DANA POINT HOMELESS TASK FORCE DRAFT ACTION MINUTES

Tuesday, September 30, 2014 2:00 PM, City Hall Offices 33282 Golden Lantern #212 Dana Point, California 92629

CALL TO ORDER

Ursula Luna-Reynosa welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Homeless Task Force of the City of Dana Point, California. The meeting was called to order 2:08 p.m.

TASK FORCE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jens Christy Margie Wakeham Mary Perdue Albert Scaduto Michael Fox Heather Johnston

COUNCIL PRESENT: None

TASK FORCE MEMBERS ABSENT: Jim Palmer

CITY STAFF LIAISONS PRESENT: Ursula Luna-Reynosa, Russ Chilton, Christy Teague, Deputy Tobin Anderson

PUBLIC PRESENT: Several members of the public were present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Gabrielle Powers – spoke about the White Meters program in San Luis Obispo downtown, which was set up to collect funds to support homeless services. She also stated that, as a social worker, she suggests that there be a social worker available to work with Police Services to help connect individuals to appropriate services.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approval of the Task Force August 26, 2014 Meeting Minutes
Albert Scaduto Made a Motion to approve the minutes; Jens Christy Seconded
the Motion. The Motion was approved (Heather Johnston abstained).

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NEW BUSINESS

2. Larry Haynes with Mercy House present Summary

Mr. Haynes was unable to attend; this item will be rescheduled for the next Homeless Task Force meeting.

Chief of Police Services Russ Chilton asked Homeless Liaison Officer Tobin Anderson to provide an update. Deputy Anderson reported on activities, including success stories including 14 referrals for shelter/rehab/detox facilities. He also reported on work with CA Alcohol Beverage Control with local alcohol sellers. Chief Chilton noted that San Juan Capistrano has also recently hired a Homeless Liaison Officer.

3. Next Meeting

Ursula Luna-Reynosa confirmed availability of the committee and stated the next meeting would be held on October 10, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4. Housing Options Discussion

Albert Scaduto suggested the City should have a systematic thorough census of the City's homeless population before trying to meet needs. Albert Scaduto Made a Motion to provide a recommendation that an official scientific census be conducted by an Orange County university. Heather Johnston Seconded the Motion. The Motion passed. Margie Wakeham stated that Vanguard University assisted the City of Costa Mesa, and also mentioned the OC Point in Time Survey countywide count will occur in January 2015. She stated that David Snow at UC Irvine and OC Mental Health Department both have good statistics.

Steve Stewart stated iHope is concerned with working poor. He noted UC Irvine has an economic database, including at-risk of homelessness and poverty statistics in Orange County.

Dave Celestin from Welcome Inn inquired about the limit of 10 persons allowed for emergency shelter in churches.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Homeless Task Force at this session, the meeting adjourned at 3:33 p.m.