



SGVCOG Homelessness Committee Approved Minutes

Date: April 7, 2021
Time: 8:30 AM
Location: Zoom teleconference

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 8:31 AM

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Members Present

A. Verlato, Arcadia
M. Carrillo; Baldwin Park
J. Leano, Claremont
K. Davis, Glendora
M. Ortiz, Irwindale
B. Shevlin, Monrovia
W. Huang, Pasadena
D. Holley, Pomona
M. Clark, Rosemead

SGVCOG Staff

M. Creter
S. Matthews
C. Sims
A. Bordallo
B. Acevedo
K. Ward
S. Pedersen

Members Absent

Duarte
West Covina
LA County Dist. 1

Guests

L. T. Boothe, Star View Behavioral
Health Group
J. Ciccone, Senior Advisor to
Congresswoman Napolitano
T. Egan, SGVCOG Lobbyist

4. Public Comment: None
5. Changes to Agenda Order: No changes to agenda order.

CONSENT CALENDAR

6. Homelessness Committee Meeting Minutes – 03/03/21
Recommended Action: Approve.
There was a motion to approve consent calendar items 6 M/S: (J. Leano/M. Ortiz)

[Motion Passed]

AYES:	Arcadia; Baldwin Park; Claremont; Glendora; Irwindale; Monrovia; Pomona; Rosemead
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	Duarte; West Covina; LA County District 1

PRESENTATIONS

7. Behavioral Health Urgent Care Center (BHUCC)
 L. Boothe, Outreach Specialist at Star View Behavioral Health Urgent Care Centers in The City of Industry and Long Beach gave a presentation on the unique range of services provided by her organization. Context was given regarding how the centers were established and the level of coordination with both patients and stakeholders.

ACTION ITEM

8. Support – Increasing Behavioral Health Treatment Act (Napolitano)
 J. Ciccone, Senior Advisor to Congresswoman Napolitano gave a presentation about the Increasing Behavioral Health Treatment Act (Napolitano). The Act would repeal the Medicaid Institutions for Mental Disease (IMD) payment prohibition and require several reporting and plan requirements from States.
There was a motion to support the Increasing Behavioral Health Treatment Act (Napolitano). M/S: (K. Davis/J. Leano)

[Motion Passed]

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NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
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9. Support – Assembly Bill 1340 (Santiago), Mental Health Services
 S. Matthews provided a presentation on Assembly Bill 1340 (Santiago) This bill would expand the definition of “gravely disabled” to also include a condition in which a person, as a result of a mental health disorder, is unable to provide for their basic personal needs for medical treatment, if the failure to receive medical treatment is either for an existing life-threatening medical condition or the person is in imminent danger of death or prolonged hospitalization. By expanding the definition of “gravely disabled” and thereby increasing the duties of local agencies, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

There was a motion to support Assembly Bill 1340 (Santiago). M/S: (A. Verlatto/M. Ortiz)

[Motion Passed]

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NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	

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10. Support – SGVCOG Homelessness Programs Funding Reallocation

S. Matthews provided a presentation on why the request was being made and how the reallocated funds would be used. The recommended actions were made:

- 1) Recommend Governing Board re-allocate the remaining funding from the Regional Coordination Program to the Homelessness Plan Implementation Program;
- 2) Recommend Governing Board approve the “City Additional Funding Application”;
- 3) Recommend Governing Board change the Prevention and Diversion Program to the Prevention, Diversion, and Rapid Rehousing Program, allowing funds to be provided to people actively experiencing homelessness; and
- 4) Recommend Governing Board authorize Executive Director to award additional funding to Cities and amend City Memorandums of Agreement (MOAs) based on approved guidelines.

**There was a motion to support the recommended actions for the reallocation of SGVCOG homelessness programs funding. M/S: (J. Leano, A. Verlato)
 [Motion Passed]**

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NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
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UPDATE ITEMS

11. State Budget and Legislative Updates

T. Egan provided an update on expected upcoming State bills and budget allocations related to homelessness, and when the legislature will decide which bills will be taken up during this session.

12. Mental Health Legislative Updates

The agenda packet included an update on the eight bills SGVCOG staff is tracking during the current legislative session.

13. Project Roomkey, Project Homekey, and the LAHSA COVID-19 Recovery Plan

The agenda packet included an update on the demobilization of Project Roomkey sites, the purchase of motels under Project Homekey, and related efforts to house those most vulnerable to COVID-19.

14. LA Alliance for Human Rights et al. v. City of Los Angeles et al.

The agenda packet included an update on publicly released information related to this lawsuit. LA County is currently seeking dismissal of the suit.

LIAISON REPORTS

15. Liaison reports from San Gabriel Valley Regional Housing Trust and San Gabriel Valley Consortium on Homelessness were included in the agenda packet.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Shevlin directed staff to request a presentation from the new Director County Homelessness Initiative and to get a status update on the White Paper on LAHSA Reform at the next committee meeting. Councilmember A. Verlato also requested an update on the Tiny Home site visit to Redondo Beach.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 AM.