

# Human and Social Needs Committee Meeting Record

Meeting Date: Monday, June 4, 2018

Convened: 11:04 A.M. Adjourned: 12:53 P.M.

Committee Members Present:

Council Member Casey Thomas, II, Chair  
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Adam Medrano, Vice Chair  
Mayor Pro Tem Dwaine R. Caraway  
Council Member Omar Narvaez  
Council Member Mark Clayton  
Council Member B. Adam McGough

Committee Members Absent:

Other Council Members Present:

Council Member Kevin Felder

Staff Present:

Nadia Chandler Hardy  
Zena Palmer  
Laura Morrison  
Julianne Nguyen  
Cal Estee  
Barbara Martinez  
Monica Hardman

Latrisce Johnson  
Anna Gonzalez  
Jessica Galleshaw  
Beverly Davis  
Taryn Brown  
T.C. Broadnax  
David Cossum

**AGENDA:**

**Call to Order**

1. Approval of Minutes from the May 21, 2018 Human and Social Needs Committee Meeting

Presenter(s): Council Member Casey Thomas, II, Chair

Information Only:

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):**

A motion was made to approve the May 21, 2018 minutes.

Motion made by: CM Narvaez

Item passed unanimously:

Item failed unanimously:

Motion Seconded by: CM Clayton

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

2. Equity Indicators Project Update

Presenter(s): Theresa O'Donnell, Chief of Resilience/Otis Rolley, 100 Resilient Cities, Regional Director/Regina Montoya, Mayor's Task Force on Poverty, Chair

Information Only:

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):**

CM Clayton suggests staff be a little more specialized as it relates to job opportunities. MPT Caraway recommends the committee and anyone else who wants to help solve equity in a neighborhood to visit, walk, or even live in that area. CM Narvaez wants to know of the number of people from kindergarten through high school in the last 10 years, what is the percentage of Hispanics and African Americans graduating with a diploma through DISD. He also suggests creating a medical magnet school at Pinkston High School. CM Narvaez wants to make sure senior citizens are reflected in this study. CM Felder suggests including vocational careers and engaging with the unions about getting some of these students in training for trades. He also wants to include imposing an empty property tax on homeowners who leave their properties vacant, so the overall effect will no longer bring down the neighborhoods.

Motion made by:  
Item passed unanimously:   
Item failed unanimously:

Motion Seconded by:  
Item passed on a divided vote:   
Item failed on a divided vote:

3. Resilience Strategy Project Update

Presenter(s): Theresa O'Donnell, Chief of Resilience/Otis Rolley, 100 Resilient Cities, Regional Director/Regina Montoya, Mayor's Task Force on Poverty, Chair  
Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

CM Thomas is charging the City Manager with making recommendations to the City Council, so they can approve. A motion was made for staff to move forward on these recommendations and for the City Manager to prioritize.

Motion made by: MPT Caraway  
Item passed unanimously:   
Item failed unanimously:

Motion Seconded by: CM Narvaez  
Item passed on a divided vote:   
Item failed on a divided vote:

4. Homeless Solutions Proposed Strategy

Presenter(s): Monica Hardman, Office of Homeless Solutions, Managing Director  
Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

CM Thomas advises staff to talk with DISD in repurposing any city facilities for transitional housing in Track II. MPT Caraway recommends providing English and Spanish services at every location. DMPT Medrano endorses the strategy if Track II only contains city facilities.

Motion made by:  
Item passed unanimously:   
Item failed unanimously:

Motion Seconded by:  
Item passed on a divided vote:   
Item failed on a divided vote:

5. Upcoming Agenda Item(s)

Presenter(s): CM Casey Thomas, II  
Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Information about the upcoming items was included in the briefing materials. A motion was made to move the upcoming June 13, 2018 Council Agenda item forward to full Council.

Motion made by: CM Narvaez  
Item passed unanimously:   
Item failed unanimously:

Motion Seconded by: DMPT Medrano  
Item passed on a divided vote:   
Item failed on a divided vote:

6. Committee Forecast

Presenter(s):  
Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

**Motion made by:**

Item passed unanimously:

Item failed unanimously:

**Motion Seconded by:**

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

**APPROVED BY:**

**ATTEST:**

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Casey Thomas, II, Chair  
Human and Social Needs Committee

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Zenae Palmer, Coordinator  
Human and Social Needs Committee

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