



## Agenda

### **1. Call to Order – 3:03pm**

### **2. Roll Call (see attachment)**

A quorum was determined and Chair Webb commented on the following matters:

- Welcomed everyone to the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of 2019 and welcomed the new member to the commission, Sam Merten (D10).

### **3. Approval of November 8, 2018 Minutes**

- A motion was made by Commissioner Tallis to approve the November 8<sup>th</sup> minutes, which had been revised to report comments received at the December meeting. Commissioner Culak seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

### **4. Approval of December 13, 2018 Minutes**

- A motion was made by Commissioner Tallis to approve the December 13<sup>th</sup> minutes. Commissioner Culak seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

### **5. Public Comment**

Robert Ceccarelli

Richard P. Sheridan

### **6. Update on Inclement Weather (Voting Item)**

- Joint presentation from Monica Hardman, Director, and Short-Term Solutions Subcommittee Chair, Tanya Ragan, over the current Inclement Weather System and what is being proposed.
- Monica acknowledged members in audience that belong to Dallas Emergency Shelter Collaborative; Vickie McDaniel (Bridge) and Reverend Sweeny (Dallas Life).
- Dallas Emergency Shelter Collaborative is comprised of Austin Street, Dallas Life, Family Gateway, The Bridge, Salvation Army, Union Gospel Mission and various faith-based organizations and churches.
- Protocol activates the system between December 1<sup>st</sup> and March 1<sup>st</sup> once three (3) consecutive evenings' temps are below 36°. Once that is hit, participating organizations and shelters offer up overflow space on a night-to-night basis regardless if the temperature goes back up.
- Shelters/Organizations will communicate regularly with homeless as well as the rest of the system and providers to ensure a coordinated effort.
- Austin Street does not have any additional space, Dallas Life has 50 beds, Family Gateway has limited overflow but will do whatever they can to accommodate families, The Bridge has 50 available beds, Salvation Army has 70 beds, there are 75 at Union Gospel Mission, and the faith-based groups vary, totaling it approximately 250 available beds.
- Protocol does not allow for overnight sheltering of homeless individuals in order to comply with Dallas' code.
- Since meetings began in August, the Short-Term Solutions Subcommittee recommended putting out a Request For Qualifications (RFQ) to identify locations and vendors to recommend to City Council to allocate funding for future inclement weather shelter operations.
- Request For Proposals (RFP) is contingent on available funding. Subcommittee worked closely with Office of Homeless Solutions (OHS) staff to develop specifications for RFP.
- Commissioner Ragan mentioned that in October the Commission voted to recommend moving forward with an RFP that addresses priorities defined by the Short-Term Solutions Subcommittee.
- Next steps are to receive additional feedback and have something before Council at the beginning of April.
- RFQ is in process and staff anticipates it will be released in February or March.

- Chair Webb suggested that it would be beneficial to prioritize proposals that coordinate with the existing program that the shelters are operating.
- Commissioner Ragan clarified the capacity of the 250 beds is not due to inclement weather, but just additional beds that are available generally.
- Recommendation requires participants to be in a district that is already zoned for an overnight shelter.
- Commissioner Crews encouraged Commissioner Ragan to go before the Human and Social Needs Council Committee and give this briefing in parallel with the OHS whatever staff's briefing to ensure the Commission has a direct line to the conversation.
- No vote was taken.

#### 7. CHC Annual Report (Voting Item)

- Commissioner Crews moved to adopt the Commission's 2018 Annual Report as presented by the Chair. Commissioner Tallis seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

#### 8. CHC Subcommittee Reports

- Coordination and Strategic Planning
  - Subcommittee Chair Crews reported on the following matters:
    - Community Development Commission last meeting was held on January 17<sup>th</sup>.
    - Subcommittee met with the Office of Budget earlier this month to work on proposed recommendations to be made on the Consolidated Plan and provided feedback/concerns. Next subcommittee meeting on Tuesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>.


#### 9. Upcoming Events

Chair Webb commented on the following matters:

- Encouraged commissioners to look at events at the bottom of the agenda.
- Reminded everyone the Annual Point-In-Time Count is a week from today (January 24<sup>th</sup>). If inclined to volunteer and have not yet registered, please contact MDHA.

#### 10. Adjourn – 4:23pm

APPROVED BY:



Kenn Webb, Chair  
Citizen Homelessness Commission

**CITIZEN HOMELESSNESS COMMISSION  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
MINUTES ATTENDANCE SHEET  
DALLAS CITY HALL, L1FN AUDITORIUM  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 2019  
3:00 PM – 4:30 PM**

**Attendance Sheet**

**Commissioners Present**

Kenn Webb, Chair  
Chris Culak, District 1  
Linda Garner, District 2  
LeTitia Owens, District 3  
Tanya Ragan, District 6  
Chase Headley, District 9  
Sam Merten, District 10  
Alan Tallis, District 11  
Casey McManemin, District 13  
Chad Crews, District 14

**Commissioners Absent**

Louis Henry, District 7  
VACANT, District 4  
VACANT, District 5  
VACANT, District 8  
VACANT, District 12

**Staff Present**

Amy Thomas  
Monica Hardman  
Angelina Caudillo  
Elizzebeth Loomis  
Sarah Jacobson  
Laura Morrison  
Siressha Chirala  
Sunny Tripp  
Wei-Lin Wang  
Gloria Sandoval  
Charletra Sharp  
Monica Moreno  
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Adam Medrano  
Zena Palmer