1. City Council Unhoused Ad Hoc Committee Meeting Agenda And Meeting Notes

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Un-Housed Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting

May 27, 2021

AGENDA

- Welcome – UAHC Chair Carol Marques

- St. Joseph’s Family Center Update – Executive Director, David Cox
  - Street Team Program Update

- Next Steps for UAHC Top 5 Priorities:
  - Establish a Safe Park Program
    - Develop a draft RFP
  - Support a mobile garbage removal program
    - Develop a draft RFO
  - Explore the purchasing of a Garbage Compactor Truck
    - Get Fleet Divisions feedback on truck research
  - Hire A Quality of Life Officer
    - Committee felt that City should hire two officers, not one
  - Explore the differences between a Police Officer and a Community Services Officer
    - Gilroy Police Department Report

- Next meeting date logistics *(Thursday, June 10, 2021)*

- Other
Un-Housed Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting
May 27, 2021
AGENDA MEETING MINUTES

• Members Present: Councilmembers Carol Marques, Dion Bracco, Fred Tovar, City Administrator Jimmy Forbis, Captain Jason Smith, Program Administrator Maria De Leon and St. Joseph’s Family Center Executive Director David Cox
• Welcome – UAHC Chair Carol Marques
• Discussed Safe Parking Program.
• Discussed Mobile Garbage Removal Service Program.
• Discussed potential RFP for a variety of homeless services for local service providers.
• St. Joseph’s Family Center (SJFC) Executive Director, David Cox’s presentation on Street Team Program
  o Program worker recruitment is mostly word of mouth and court system referrals.
  o SJFC pays $10 per hour, to work 4 or 5 days a week, with work occurring usually during the morning hours.
    ▪ Have focused/patterned/scheduled areas to clean (Downtown, First Street, Eighth Street, 10th Street & Parks). UAHC members encouraged David that the Street Team should work more in East Gilroy, by Safeway and Brownell School.
  o The Street Team workers walk throughout targeted areas. They don’t have a van or vehicle to transport workers and cleaning supplies and equipment. A van is used to pick up the garbage not to transport workers.
  o A van designated specifically to this effort can greatly help expand garbage removal city wide.
  o Currently, once garbage is collected, it’s hauled out in a van then disposed.
  o The Street Team is only focus on public benefit, not private benefit.
  o Street Team participants have a team lead and an agency Coordinator for one team, with 4 individuals per team.
  o Street Team workers are challenged, with limited capacities due to physical limitations.
  o Street Team workers are recruited through word of mouth, agency engagements (Hot Meal Program, Compassion Center, Armory promotion and networking with local service providers).
  o Street Team workers are also assessed for support, benefits and services needed.
  o SJFC receives approximately $27,000 annually through CDBG or Housing Trust Fund.
  o Shared that there has been a tick down for program support services from the SJFC.
• Discussed Quality of Life Officer benefits to un-housed community
  o Support hiring 2 Quality of Life Officers (QLO)
  o QLO will develop relationships with local service providers
- Connect the un-housed to and partner with County and community agencies such as mental health, shelter, mobile crisis response, substance abuse services, county services, food insecurity, rent relief and other similar services.
- Committing to additional funding designated specifically to mental health services.
- Support funding Pilot Safe Parking Program
- Next meeting date and logistics for June 24, meeting only once a month
- Meeting ended at 9:20am