



Agenda

Homeless Housing Taskforce

Monday, May 20, 2024

2:30 PM

Training Room, 2nd Floor, City Hall

HYBRID MEETING DETAILS

24-00458 Please click the link below to join the webinar: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84015494317>
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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 pm.

ROLL CALL

In attendance: Ruth Kendall, Chair; Dian Cooper, CoChair; Gena James; Connie Lantz; Shannon McLain; Lauren Princehouse;

Excused: Steven Boyer; Rob Painter-Johnson; Tim Watson, LPD

Staff present: Kayce Settlemier, non-voting member; Kenny Robinson, non-voting member; Angela Abel, PIO; Nancy Vandehey, Admin

MINUTES

24-00459 MINUTES FROM MARCH 18, 2024

The minutes were approved as presented.

The April 15, 2024 meeting was cancelled.

NEW BUSINESS

24-00465 RECENT CITY COUNCIL DIRECTION

- **APPROVED 5 YEAR PLAN ADDENDUM**
- **REJOINING COUNTY HOMELESS HOUSING PROGRAM**
- **REDIRECTING CITY HOMELESS HOUSING TASK FORCE**

Ruth Kendall provided an updated from recent Council meetings and the current direction for this board

24-00432 COLD WEATHER SHELTER

Dian Cooper spoke on the history of the cold weather shelter. There are a few rules, but it is low barrier. There were no deaths over the winter due to cold weather. Kayce Settlemier shared personal examples of how positive outcomes can come from the cold weather shelters staff exposure that leads to individuals getting into services. There is currently about \$75,000 carry over to continue on. Costs to do nothing - hotel vouchers, deaths, EMS services, medical costs (frozen toes, etc.), break ins, and police

calls. Kayce painted a picture of what could be and how we can do this better including collaboration from all agencies. The first hurdle is finding a site. The MAC was heavily discussed and the option of trying to moving events from the MAC to the Women's Club or Delaware Plaza. Creating a list of options for locations was discussed.

Topic for future meeting - population that lives in cars.

Ramona Leber provided comments.

Hollie Hillman provided comments.

Mike Yost provided comments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PUBLIC COMMENTS

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:39 pm.