

HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

The regular meeting of the City of Loveland Human Services Commission was held at the Loveland Municipal Building in the City Manager Conference Room on
July 7, 2016

PRESENT AT THE MEETING:

Commissioners: Tim Hitchcock, JoAnne Warner, Amy Olinger, Carolyn Benson, Stan Taylor, Melody Glinsman, Rebecca Thorp, Maren Soreide.
Staff: Alison Hade

ABSENT FROM THE MEETING:

Commissioners: Krystal Rowland
City Council: Rich Ball

These minutes are a general summary of the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

Staff Hade called the meeting to order at 6:02pm MT.

Officer Elections

Commissioner Hitchcock nominated Commissioner Olinger as Chair. Commissioner Glinsman seconded the nomination. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Hitchcock nominated Commissioner Warner as Vice-Chair. Commissioner Benson seconded the nomination. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner Hitchcock motioned to approve the minutes of the June 2nd, 2016 meeting. Commissioner Benson seconded. 5 Ayes, 1 abstain. Motion passes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Glorie Magrum from House of Neighborly Service spoke to the commission regarding priority of service. Shelter funding has decreased and Ms. Magrum is requesting that the commission seek direction from the City Council for funding priorities. Basic Needs program was not funded this year and that program provides motel vouchers and utility support.

COUNCIL UPDATE

None. Councilor not present.

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP OFFICE UPDATE:

Study session on July 12th will cover Affordable Housing code and homelessness services.

- CPO is asking for a change in how the City funds homeless services and supportive housing. If the CDBG Public Service funds are given back to the Affordable Housing Commission to distribute for the supportive component for a housing project then City Council will be asked to consider "backfilling" that portion to the Human Service Grant.
- CPO will also be asking for an annual predictable budget for fee waivers with a rolling lock. More information to be provided later.

Summitstone did not draw all funds from their 2015 grant award by approx. 8k.

Recent City Council meeting discussion indicates Human Service Commission may want to consider asking City Council for an increase in the funding allocated for the Human Service Grant.

Commissioner Warner will connect with the Mayor to discuss the idea.

GRANT GUIDE Review

Recap on the June discussion regarding multiple applications per agency. Ideas to consider prior to the August meeting:

1. Lower maximum amount allowed per application.
2. Cap amount per agency.
3. Develop a "reasonable amount" given per request (i.e. when requests are small is there a way to fund more of that request depending on the score?)

Chair asks the commissioners to consider ideas for the August meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: None

- Poverty culture vs. Middle class culture is seen by the CPO in some of our service providers in Loveland. Impacts customer service for our citizens.
- Gaps in services are seen in Loveland. CPO will bring a list to the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Olinger adjourned the meeting at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Deb Callies