

HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

The special meeting of the City of Loveland Human Services Commission was held at the Loveland Municipal Building in the City Managers Conference Room on
October 27, 2011

PRESENT AT THE MEETING:

Commissioners: Lorna Greene, Jackie Elliott, Alouette Greenidge, Jennifer Bohlander, April Lewis, Ally Miller, Penn Street, and Rebecca Paulson

Council Liaison: Donna Rice

Staff Liaison: Alison Hade

Guest: Amy Olinger, potential new commissioner

ABSENT FROM THE MEETING:

Commissioner: Stan Taylor

These minutes are a general summary of the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Elliott called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 6TH MEETING MINUTES

Vice-Chair Bohlander made a motion to approve the October 6th meeting minutes. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No comments

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON UPDATE

Councilor Rice updated the commission on the A.C.E. project. The new developer, Cumberland Western, will be paying in cash for the property, has lots of experience in this type of development and they have a good reputation.

Council Rice informed the commission that she was leaving the City Council at the end of her term. She is considering other ways to serve Loveland that will be less time consuming. She thanked Staff Liaison Hade for her study session presentation on Poverty and Homelessness in Loveland.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN MEETING REPORT

Chair Elliott, Vice Chair Bohlander and Staff Liaison Hade met with a member of the Comp Plan team to clarify how the plan was to be drafted and used by the commission. Chair Elliott stated that the Comp Plan team intended the plan to show what the commission's focus would be. It is meant to be a "road map" to direct the functions of the Boards and Commissions. Staff will draft a modified version of the Comp Plan to show just the focused objectives for the Human Services Commission.

2012 HSC GRANT GUIDE

Staff handed out the Commissioner's Grant Guides. Minor changes were pointed out, specifically, on the budget narrative scoring question 15, on page 17 of the grant guide. The change was made to include scoring the whole Program Budget expense information and not just the salary issue. ZoomGrants will be discussed at the next meeting in November. New commissioner training was

discussed. Chair Elliott and staff will have an orientation meeting for the new commissioners, as well as having the January 27th meeting a little longer to go over additional training of the grant process for all commissioners.

SITE VISITS REPORTS

- Commissioner Miller visited Interfaith Hospitality Network's Angel House, she spoke with the Executive Director AnnMarie Arbo. Commissioner Miller stated that IHN is working on collaboration with Alternatives to Violence.
- Commissioner Greenidge reported on her visit to Hearts and Horses with Commissioner Taylor. H&H is rehabilitating a building that was donated to them with several office spaces and they are building a new arena. They have also added a sensory trail for one of their programs.
- Commissioner Greenidge and Commissioner Lewis visited the Women's Resource Center. Commissioner Greenidge was very impressed with how well organized the Executive Director, Annette Zacharias is and the level of accountability she has to the programs.
- Vice-Chair Bohlander reported on her visits: Teaching Tree is hoping to start an infant program. They are working on their funding difficulties and realize they can't rely as heavily on grants; Larimer County Partners, aka Partners Mentoring Youth closed their Loveland office to focus more on the program and it's working very well. They didn't need the office space, since the program coordinator is usually out in the community, so the cost to maintain it was a drain.
- Vice-Chair Bohlander and Commissioner Lewis visited CASA, Court Appointed Special Advocates, at the Loveland Harmony House location. Executive Director, Lynn Oesterle-Zollner, stated CASA is using the differential response practice and assessing how it is affecting their program.
- Chair Elliott visited the Community Kitchen, they have hired a part-time director, who is the only paid person. She stated they have seen their clientele numbers increase over last year.

Chair Elliott reminded the Commissioners that site visits are more personal than grant presentations and you will learn things about the agencies you can't get from the grant application.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Elliott adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Beverly Walker