

MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE Housing, Homeless and Neighborhood Development (HHAND) Advisory Commission SUMMARY MINUTES - DRAFT May 01, 2024



Call to Order

The Housing, Homeless and Neighborhood Development (HHAND) Advisory Commission meeting reached a quorum and was opened by Chair Stephanie Taylor at 4:11pm. The meeting was staffed by the Anchorage Health Department (AHD), Human Services Division (HSD), Community Safety and Development (CSD).

A. Roll Call & Introductions

| Commissioners Present | Commissioners Absent | Presenters | |
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| Elsie Crossmon, Secretary Stephanie Taylor, Chair Daniel Sager David Rittenberg, Vice Chair Richard Mystrom Peggy Rotan | William Scott Kathy Henslee, Public Relations | | |
| AHD CSD Staff | MOA AHD Staff | Guests | |
| Valerie Madison, Senior Office Associate Jed Drolet Community Systems Program Manager | Human Services Division Manager Darcie Montalvo | Jessica Parks, ACEH Ken McCarty, Discovery Cove Allen Kemplen, FVCC | |

B. Approval of Order of Business - Chair entertained a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION: David Rittenberg

SECOND: Richard Mystrom

VOTE: Change in agenda requested for New Business presented.

C. Approval of Change to Order of Business – Chair entertained a motion to approve the change in agenda for New Business as presented.

MOTION: David Rittenberg

SECOND: Richard Mystrom

VOTE: No Opposition

D. Approval of April 03, 2024, minutes – Chair entertained a motion to approve minutes.

MOTION: Elsie Crossmon

SECOND: Richard Mystrom

VOTE: No Opposition

E. Old Business

- 1. Discuss response from the Anchorage Assembly regarding letter concerning their suggestions on how HHAND Commission can best serve them. -Karen Bronga was the only one who responded. Community Kindness Camps being considered.
- 2. Discuss responses of Work Session Tour held prior to May 01, 2024 meeting. -Received positive responses with suggestion to seek tours of other facilities. Will discuss further at June 05, 2024 meeting.

F. New Business

- 1. Guest speaker with Alaska Mental Health Trust, Ken McCarthy.
- 2. Guest speaker Allen Kemplen, Fairview Community Council Reconnecting Communities Grant. **Commission interested in a formal presentation.**
- 3. Welcome our new Chair Stephanie Taylor and Vice Chair David Rittenberg.
- 4. Discuss response from the Anchorage Assembly regarding letter concerning their suggestions on how HHAND Commission can best serve them. **Only one response, Karen Bronga.**
- 5. Discuss responses of Work Session Tour held prior to today's meeting. **Would like to do more.**

G. Chair entertained a motion to open Old Business.

MOTION: Richard Mystrom

SECOND: Elsie Crossmon

VOTE: No Opposition

Chair entertained a motion to extend meeting 15 minutes.

MOTION: David Rittenberg

SECOND: Peggy Rotan

VOTE: No Opposition

H. Public Comments - None

I. Commissioners Comments -

It was noted that Kathy Hensley, Public Relations for this commission has resigned.
Thank you extended to David Rittenberg for the Brother Francis Shelter tour and also to our

guests speakers.

Discussed instead of having regular July and August meetings, try to set up some tours of The various facilities.

Chair entertained a motion cancel regular July and August 2024 HHAND Commission Meetings.

| MOTION: Daniel Sager |
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| SECOND: Elsie Crossmon |
| VOTE : No Opposition |

J. Reports - None

Secretary entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting 5:43pm

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| MOTION : Richard Mystrom | | | | |
| SECOND: Richard Mystrom | | | | |
| VOTE : No Opposition | _ | • | | |

Meeting adjourned at 5:43pm. The next HHAND Commission meeting is scheduled for June 05, 2024, from 4:00-5:30 pm., at 825 L Street, Conference Room #423, and through Microsoft Teams.