

## **PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**Council Members Méndez, Hill and Coffey  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room**

**March 1, 2019 @ 8:30 a.m.**

Meeting convened at 8:37 a.m.

Council present: Chair Carmen Méndez, Kathy Coffey, and Brad Hill via speakerphone

Staff present: City Manager Cliff Moore, Communications & Public Affairs Director Randy Beehler, and Sonya Claar Tee, City Clerk

Guest: Dana Dwinell, City resident

**1. Approval of minutes**

- A. Coffey moved and Hill seconded to approve the 12-21-18 minutes. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

**2. New business**

- A. Committee members reviewed applications for the Ad Hoc Homeless Facility Review Committee, noting that Council has already approved the committee position structure. The Committee made the following recommendations by consensus:

- Council representative: Kathy Coffey (as previously approved by Council)
- County representative: Mike Leita (as appointed by the County Commissioners)
- Arboretum representative: Leslie Wahl
- Expert on programs: Lee Murdock
- Expert on housing: Nathan Poel
- Community members: Andy Ferguson, Nathan Krebs and either Rhonda Hauff or Anita Monoian

- B. Request for support of VFW sales tax exemption legislation

- After discussion, it was Committee consensus to recommend support for HB 1307

- C. Review other applications for Boards & Commissions

- Claar Tee reported there is one application for the Henry Beauchamp Jr. Community Center Advisory Board (HBCC), which the OIC Board recommends. It was Committee consensus to recommend James Parks to the Henry Beauchamp Jr. Community Center Advisory Board.

**3. Old business – none**

4. Other business

A. Dana Dwinell provided a video link and information for Healing Species, an 11-week violence intervention/character education outreach program in public schools with rescue animals teaching children about compassion, empathy and overcoming obstacles. She asked for the Committee's support in gaining traction for this program with the school district. Moore reported there may be limited funding available through GRIT or the SAMHSA grant. After discussion, it was Committee consensus to update Council on this topic and have the GRIT Committee review the curriculum and feasibility of this project.

B. Committee members noted the March 15 meeting would need to be canceled due to conflicts.

5. Future agenda items (Council Committee members) -- none

6. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

  
Carmen Méndez, Chair