SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING COMMISSION TO END HOMELESSNESS

Thursday, August 26, 2021, 10:30 A.M.

Pursuant to provisions of California Governor's Executive Order N-29-20, issued on March 17, 2020, this meeting was teleconferenced via ZOOM.

Don Wagner, Third District Supervisor Jack Toan, Business Representative Vacant, North Service Planning Area Nathan Wilson, Orange County Sheriff's Department Scott Stiles, Central Service Planning Area Vacant, Affordable Housing Development Marshall Moncrief, Behavioral Health Representative Paul Wyatt, South Service Planning Area Sue Parks, Philanthropic Representative Teresa "Tita" Smith, At Large Member Vacant, Chief of Police Vacant, At Large Member

Randy Black, Orange County Fire Authority Todd Spitzer, District Attorney Matt Bates, Continuum of Care Board Richard Afable, Hospital Representative Representative Jeanne Awrey, Continuum of Care Board Jim Palmer, Faith-based Community Representative

Representative

Daniel Young, Business Representative, Vice Chair

ATTENDANCE: Commissioners Chaffee, Young, Awrey, Bates, Moncrief, Palmer, Parks, Smith, Spitzer, Stiles, Toan, Wilson, Wagner and Wyatt

ABSENT: Commissioners Afable and Black

Doug Chaffee, Fourth District Supervisor, Chair

PRESENT: COMMISSION DIRECTOR Doug Becht, Acting Director of Care

Coordination

CLERK OF THE COMMISSION Valerie Sanchez & Joanne Golden, Deputy

Clerks

Call the Meeting to Order

COMMISSION CHAIR CHAFFEE CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 10:33 A.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

COMMISSION DIRECTOR BECHT LED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Roll Call

THE CLERK CALLED THE ROLL AND CONFIRMED QUORUM

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ACTION ITEMS

1.	Approve Commission to End Homelessness minutes from the May 19, 2021 regular	meeting
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APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED

2. Approve revised 2021 calendar for the Commission to End Homelessness

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APPROVED AS AMENDED TO HOLD THE DECEMBER 2021 MEETING ON DECEMBER 8TH INSTEAD OF DECEMBER 15TH

3. <u>Direct Working Group Ad Hoc to identify focus areas for development within the Homeless System of Care</u>

NO ACTION TAKEN

4. Recommend revision to the bylaws to the Board of Supervisors

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APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED

5. Make recommendations to fill the vacant seats on the Commission to End Homelessness

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APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED

DISCUSSION ITEMS (None)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tim Johnson – Oral re: Typo on the zoom information on the agenda makes it difficult to participate in meeting. Commission should work with community organizations

David Durran – Oral Re: It should be obvious that housing is what ends homelessness. Advocacy groups have nothing to lose and are actively trying to put themselves out of business; Commission should consider information shared by advocacy groups

Pat Davis – Oral Re: Pleased with resources in the pipeline but hopes the pace moves faster; County still needs to adopt housing first model; influence of the Commission to End Homelessness and funding conflicts commission members

Aarti Kaushal Chopra – Oral Re: The Commission should include a youth representative; would like information on the procedure to apply for the vacant At Large seat

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COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS (None)

ADJOURNED: 11:51 A.M.

NEXT MEETING: October 20, 2021, 1:00 P.M.

*** VOTE KEY ***

(1st number = Moved by; 2nd number = Seconded by)

- 1 Doug Chaffee
- 2 Dan Young
- 3 Don Wagner A = Abstained4 Scott Stiles 5 Paul Wyatt
- 6 Sue Parks N = No
- 7 Randy Black
- 8 Richard Afable
- 9 Jim Palmer
- 10 Jack Toan
- 11 Nathan Wilson
- 12 Marshall Moncrief
- 13 Teresa 'Tita' Smith
- 14 Todd Spitzer
- 15 Vacant
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- 18 Vacant

X = Excused

V = Vacant

C.O. = Commission Order

SUPERVISOR DOUG C Chair

Valerie Sanchez, Chief Deputy Clerk

Clerk of the Commission

Commission to End Homelessness

August 26, 2021



Action Items 1 and 2

- 1. Approve Commission to End Homelessness minutes from the May 19, 2021, regular meeting.
- 2. Approve revised 2021 calendar for the Commission to End Homelessness.
 - The Commission to End Homelessness will meet during even months and working group ad hoc will schedule meetings as needed during odd months

- 3. Direct Working Group Ad Hoc to develop next steps to continue to develop the Homeless System of Care.
 - Working group membership: Sue Parks (Philanthropic representative), Marshall Moncrief (Behavioral Health representative), Paul Wyatt (South Service Planning Area), Matt Bates (CoC Board representative), Office of Care Coordination Director
 - Working group meetings: 6/17, 6/24, 7/1, 8/11
 - Reviewed bylaws
 - > Reviewed 10-year plan
 - > Developed homeless system of care 4 pillars and priorities

10-year Plan Goals and Progress Update

Goal	Progress Update	
1. Prevent homelessness	139 homeless prevention services serving an estimated 300,000 Orange County residents each year	
	▶ \$65 million for Emergency Rental Assistance	
2. Conduct homeless outreach	> 34 outreach programs delivering over 32,000 interventions each year	
3. Improve efficacy of emergency shelter and access system	▶ 1,951 shelter beds developed 2017 - 2021	
4. Improve transitional housing system	Project Toolbelt, Rapid Re-Housing and Transitional Housing programs established	
5. Develop permanent housing options	▶ 1,035 OC Emergency Housing Vouchers	
	▶ 132 Project Homekey units	
6. Ensure people have supportive services to remain housed	595 supportive services, including Veteran's support, housing navigation, landlord incentive and employment programs	
7. Improve data systems and measure outcomes	► Established Care Plus Program	
	 Homeless Management Information System improvements and California wide HDIS repository 	
8. Develop system and organizational structure to provide oversight and accountability	 Established Commission to End Homelessness, Continuum of Care and OC Housing Finance Trust 	
9. Advocate for social policy and systemic changes		

10 - Year Plan Goals

1. Prevent homelessness

- 2. Conduct Street Outreach
- 6. Ensure people have supportive services to remain housed
 - 3. Improve efficacy of emergency shelter and access to system
 - 4. Improve transitional housing

5. Develop permanent housing options

Homeless System of Care Pillars



Prevention



Outreach & Supportive Services



Shelter



Housing

*Goals 7, 8, 9 are related to databases and the establishment of both the CoC Board and the Commission to End Homelessness

Next Steps

- ► The Working Group Ad Hoc reviewed the 10 year plan to provide a status update on the development of the Homeless System of Care
- The review provided an opportunity to demonstrate the progress and establish a baseline to identify opportunities for further development
- ► The Working Group Ad Hoc will focus on the remaining priorities that align with the four pillars of the Homeless System of Care
- ► The Working Group Ad Hoc is looking for input on specific areas of focus the Commission would like to prioritize

4. Recommend revision to the bylaws to the Board of Supervisors.

The purpose of the Commission is to:

- 1. Work with the community and interested stakeholders to promote effective responses to homelessness within Orange County.
- 2. Act as an advisory Commission to the BOS, having no independent authority to act on matters such as legislation, funding, or lobbying.
- 3. Foster regional leadership that promotes resource development to address homelessness within Orange County.

The function of the Commission is to:

- 1. Promote greater community understanding of the complex dynamics underlying homelessness.
- 2. Identify gaps in services and resources in Orange County's System of Care for those experiencing homelessness to improve system efficiencies.
- 3. Identify strategies to respond to homelessness through review of innovative and/or existing best practices.
- 4. Make recommendations to the BOS to promote effective responses to homelessness.
- 5. Collaborate with the Continuum of Care (CoC) Board.

Bylaw revisions:

The purpose of the Commission is to:

- 1. Work in collaboration with County government, City governments, philanthropy, business sector, community—and faith-based organizations, and other interested stakeholders to focus on regional policy—and—implementation—strategies,—affordable housing development, data and gaps analysis, best practice research, social policy and systemic change to promote an effective response to homelessness within Orange County. Work with the community and interested stakeholders to promote effective responses to homelessness within Orange County.
- 2. Act as an advisory Commission to the BOS, having no independent authority to act on matters such as legislation, funding or lobbying.
- 3. Foster regional leadership that promotes resource development to address homelessness within Orange County.

Bylaw revisions:

<u>In accordance with the County's initiatives to end homelessness, the functions of the</u> Commission are as follows:

- Provide leadership and influence to ensure the implementation of the goals and strategies that address and end homelessness in the County. Promote greater community understanding of the complex dynamics underlying homelessness.
- 2. Strengthen regional capacity and multi-city, multi-sector investments to prevent, mitigate and end homelessness. Identify gaps in services and resources in Orange County's System of Care for those experiencing homelessness to improve system efficiencies.
- 3. Prepare and file reports as directed by the BOS, which shall be presented to the BOS at a regularly scheduled meeting and made available for public comment. Identify strategies to respond to homelessness through review of innovative and/or existing best practices.
- Promote integration of services throughout the community that promotes both coordination and leveraging of resources that improves the countywide response to homelessness. Make recommendations to the BOS to promote effective responses to homelessness.

Bylaw revisions:

- 5. Collaborate with the Continuum of Care (CoC) Board. to:
- i. Address gaps within the System of Care;
- ii. Strengthen operational performance
- iii. Ensure regional access and alignment;
- iv. Provide expertise related to each System of Care Component in support of the CoC System Integration objectives;
- v. Identify, secure and prioritize funding opportunities that provide system enhancements within the five components of the System of Care: Community Corrections, Behavioral Health, Healthcare, Housing, Benefits and Support Services.

- 5. Make recommendations to fill the vacant seats on the Commission to End Homelessness for Board of Supervisors final approval.
 - North Service Planning Area Representative Jim Vanderpool, Anaheim City Manager
 - Affordable Housing Development Industry George Searcy, Jamboree Housing Chief Impact Officer
 - Chief of Police in an Orange County City Chief Robert Dunn, City of Fullerton
 - At-Large Representative Milo Peinemann, American Family Housing Chief Executive Officer