



# Contra Costa Council on Homelessness Meeting

Thursday, February 6, 2020  
 1 pm – 3 pm  
 Sequoia/Grizzly room, 2380 Bisso Lane  
 Concord

## MINUTES

**Council Member Attendance:** Alejandra Chamberlain, Candace Collier, Dan Peddycord, Dan Sawislak, Deanne Pearn, Doug Leich, Leslie Gleason, Manjit Sappal Manuel Arredondo, Sherry Lynn Peralta, Tracy Pullar

**Absent:** Gabriel Lemus, Lindy Lavender, Patrice Guillory, Shawn Ray, Teri House, Tony Ucciferri

**H3 Staff Attendance:** Georgia Lucey, Jaime Jenett, Jamie Klinger, Jenny Robbins, Juliana Mondragon, Kimia Pakdaman, Michael Fischer, Robyn Price, Shelby Ferguson

**Public Attendance:** Kirsten Hog, Dawn Morrow, Claude Battaglia, Sandra Wahnli, Samantha Quinn, Leonard Ramirez, Amanda Wehrman, Maureen Nelson, Mary Tergeson, Melissa Stamps, Lenore McDonald, Guita Bahramipour, Susan Padan, Judi Herman, Lesley Garcia, DeVonn Powers, Shirley Walker, Dominique Green, Alejandra Sanchez, Theresa Anderson, Joleen Lafayette, Jill Ray, Lauren Larin, Rosa Elaine Garcia, Tammy Graziano, Taylor K, Karen Erickson, Susan Padan, Mike Bardy

Time	Agenda Item	Presenters	Desired Outcome
1 pm	Introductions	Doug Leich, Chair	Call to order.
1:15 pm	Public Comment	All	Open period for members of the public to comment on items not listed on the agenda.
None			
1:20 pm	Approve Minutes (ACTION ITEM)	Doug Leich, Chair	Review and adoption of minutes from the January 9, 2020 Council meeting.
Motion: To approve January 9, 2020 minutes as presented. Procedural Record: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motion made by Leslie Gleason and Seconded by Sherry Lynn Peralta</li> <li>• AYES: Alejandra Chamberlain, Candace Collier, Dan Peddycord, Dan Sawislak, Deanne Pearn, Doug Leich, Leslie Gleason, Manjit Sappal Manuel Arredondo, Sherry Lynn Peralta, Tracy Pullar</li> <li>• NOES: None</li> <li>• ABSTAINS: None</li> <li>• ABSENT: Gabriel Lemus, Lindy Lavender, Patrice Guillory, Shawn Ray, Teri House, Tony Ucciferri</li> </ul>			
MOTION APPROVED			
1:25 pm	Policy Update	Lavonna Martin, H3	Update on Governor Newsom's Executive Order and potential impact in Contra Costa.

Lavonna Martin presented an overview of Governor Newsom's Executive Order. H3 involved in conversations to get more information. Contra Costa is exploring use of one parcel of state property in Richmond for shelter. Antioch submitted application for 5 of the 100 RV campers made available to communities and is likely to be awarded at least one. Waiting to hear more about new Medi-Cal waiver that could potentially add money to support housing programs. State homelessness task force provided different recommendations than Executive Order, including a suggestion to mandate ending homelessness but no info about that was to be accomplished.

1:40 pm	HUD CoC NOFA update	Amanda Wehrman, HomeBase	Present results of Tier 1 HUD CoC NOFA awards.
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HUD released Tier 1 CoC Program competition results. Decrease from what was expected because Fair Market Rent went down from last year because HUD has formula that doesn't work for Bay Area. Still waiting on Tier 2 awards- Destination Home is straddling both tiers. Expect information soon and will put out Tier 2 results as soon as they're released by HUD. Waiting on debrief memo from HUD that gives some info re scoring on application and what questions HUD thought were really important and communities can focus on.

1:50 pm	Agency Name Change	Deanne Pearn, Contra Costa Interfaith Housing	Announce Contra Costa Interfaith Housing's new name.
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Contra Costa Interfaith Housing has changed their name to Hope Solutions. Their new website is [www.hopesolutions.org](http://www.hopesolutions.org). Emails to the old email address will continue to forward.

1:55 pm	Point in Time Count Update	Jamie Klinger, H3	Update on completed observational count and upcoming survey gathering.
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Jamie provided an update on the observational portion of the Point in Time Count and updated the Council on the survey sampling process that would take place over the next few weeks to gather more detailed information on the population of people experiencing homelessness.

2:05 pm	Potential new COH seat (ACTION ITEM)	Jaime Jenett, H3	Potentially approve splitting Educational/Vocational seat into two seats: 1) Educational and 2) Workforce Development
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Amanda Wehrman provided background on HUDs increasing focus on employment and desire to see documented evidence of strong relationships between the homeless services system of care and workforce development/employment.

Motion: Add "Workforce Development" Seat and make no changes to Educational/Vocational Seat name.

Procedural Record:

- Motion made by Alejandra Chamberlain and Seconded by Dan Peddycord
- AYES: Alejandra Chamberlain, Candace Collier, Dan Peddycord, Dan Sawislak, Deanne Pearn, Doug Leich, Leslie Gleason, Manjit Sappal Manuel Arredondo, Sherry Lynn Peralta, Tracy Pullar
- NOES: None
- ABSTAINS: None
- ABSENT: Gabriel Lemus, Lindy Lavender, Patrice Guillory, Shawn Ray, Teri House, Tony Ucciferri

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2:15 pm	Census Update	Jaime Jenett. H3	Update on plans to ensure people experiencing homelessness are counted in US Census
Jaime provided an update on plans to ensure people experiencing homelessness are counted in US Census. Questionnaire Assistance Kiosks (QAK) at homeless service sites will be staffed by community volunteers and the volunteer solicitation will be coming out soon.			
2:20 pm	COH Orientation: CoC and CES	Jaime Jenett, H3	Overview of Continuum of Care and Coordinated Entry
Jaime provided a brief overview of the structure and function of the CoC, the Council on Homelessness and Coordinated Entry. A more detailed overview of CE will be provided at the next meeting.			
2:50 pm	Community Announcements	All	Standing Item.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dan Sawislak: Housing units in St. Paul's Commons in Walnut Creek a few weeks ago. Trinity Center will open in a few months.</li> <li>• Karen Erickson Catholic Charities. Obtained funding for Rapid Resolution Services. Working with H3 on how to integrate with Coordinated Entry</li> <li>• Lenore McDonald: Center for Elder's Independence. Concord planning committee approved with opening Concord senior housing. Have own entry process but will also to look to fill through CES.</li> <li>• Doug: Faith based group in East Bay- FAME Faith Alliance for a Moral Economy. Organizing Ash Wed event in Todos Santos plaza. Doug working with them to include homelessness. Feb 26th from Noon -5 pm</li> </ul>			
2:55 pm	Pin It	All	Standing Item. Other future items of discussion and scheduling to be considered
Next Council on Homelessness meeting will be Thursday, March 5, 2020.			