CITY OF SEATAC Human Services Advisory Committee Minutes

May 16, 2016	SeaTac City Hall
5:30 PM	Airport Conference Room

Call to Order Committee members met at 5:30 PM

Members Present Edwin Obras, Lawrence Pitre, Melissa Wells (alt.), Judith Williams (alt.)

Members Absent Phyllis Byers, Deborah Anderson, Cheryl Forbes,

Staff Present Colleen Brandt-Schluter, City Manager's Office

Approval of Minutes

BUSINESS

For voting purposes, Edwin moved Judith and Melissa up to member status.

Agency Presentations

Kathy Finau, 2 months into being the new Exec. Director for Tukwila Pantry shared they have become a self-select service food pantry where residents choose the foods they prefer and are working to incorporate family size into the quantity allowed. Transition been hard so they are seeking new volunteers, help with translation services, and volunteer training. They are seeing a trend of folks returning after being absent for a couple of months. Partners include SKC Food Bank Coalition, Highline College, DSHS Health Outreach. Tent City residents volunteer often.

Natalie Reber, Exec. Director of Hospitality House, shared they serve 75-80 women in the 9-bed single women homeless shelter. Avg. stay is 45 days with a 90 day max. Women age from 45-55 but used to be 35-45. This population is usually the last to be hired so they are unemployed/underemployed with no social security. Open 24 hours a day with wrap-around services during the day. 400+ volunteers provide meals, office work, and run the shelter on weekends. Looking to launch a capital campaign for a bigger facility.

New Business

John Zumsteg did a final review of schedule and score sheet. Jump-drives were provided. First 14 applications to be read before June meeting. Committee had a few questions about larger organizations and city funding.

Colleen shared about the following:

- City Health Profile
- Budget update 1 ½% in tact so far
- Minor Home Repair program
- Data share

Committee asked about the direct service provided at the City. Colleen will provide a briefing next month.

Next meeting:

June 20, 2016. Time – 5:30pm. Airport Conference Room.

Adjourn: