



Community Services Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 12, 2023
5:30 pm – 7:30 pm
* Hybrid Meeting *

Members Present: Judith Williams (Chair), Christine Bertie, Dennis Cooper, Jennifer Corona, Andy Sevaio

Members Absent: Harmony Grace, Jennifer Johnson

Staff Present: Kim Cooper, *Human Services Coordinator*; Gillian Sayer, *Admin 2*

Council Present: None

Others Present: Leah Post, *Special Programs Director, Asian counseling and Referral Services*, Denise Pérez Lally, *Senior Director, African Community Housing Development*, Ethiopia Alemneh, *Special Projects Manager, African Community Housing Development*, Hamdi Abdulle, *Executive Director, African Community Housing Development*

Commence: 5:30 PM

Adjourn: 6:18 PM

1. Call to Order / Introductions	Chair Williams called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm
2. Approval of the 05/08/2023 Minutes	<p>Review and Approve</p> <p>Jennifer Corona made a motion to approve the minutes. Dennis Cooper seconded the motion.</p> <p>Motion passed: 5:0</p>
3. Presentation: Asian Counseling and Referral Services	<p>Presentation</p> <p>Leah Post was unable to attend the meeting tonight.</p>
4. Presentation: African Community Housing Development	<p>Presentation</p> <p>Hamdi Abdulle, Denise Pérez Lally and Ethiopia Alemneh provided an overview of services offered by African Community Housing Development.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hamdi thanked the City Council, City Manager and Mayor for their support of ACHD. • ACHD has been serving in the community for about 4 years.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Just starting to work on their capital campaign to raise funds so they can continue to offer affordable housing and other housing services (utility and rental assistance – one-time need) to the African American community. • ACHD has 25 Employees who speak 12 different languages and dialects. • Participants speak 28 different languages and dialects. • 55 different zip codes have been served throughout King, Snohomish, and Pierce counties. • 62% served are women and children and 99% of those identify as black. <p>Discussion commenced between Denise, Ethiopia, Judy and Kim</p>
5. Foodbank Follow-up Letter	<p>Informational:</p> <p>Dennis updated the committee on a letter he has been working on regarding the legislation that took away limitations of individual food banks not being able to turn away customers who live outside their service area.</p> <p>Discussion commenced between Dennis, Kim and Judy</p>
6. Human Services Updates	<p>Informational:</p> <p>Kim updated the committee on</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highline School District has posted their summer free lunch and breakfast schedule. Chinook Middle School is the SeaTac location. • Friday, June 16, 2023, from 11-1 is the Joint Providers virtual meeting. • Kim will be attending the Bike Rodeo at North SeaTac Park on Saturday, June 24th from 10-1. • New Senior Resource Guide has just come out today. • Kim has been monitoring each agency. She visits one each month. • Summer events postcard from Parks is forthcoming. • What does everyone think about cancelling the July and August meetings and meeting again in September. Committee Members would like to continue to meet. <p>Discussion commenced between Kim, Andy, Dennis, and Judy</p>
7. Next Meeting	Monday, July 10, 2023
8. Adjourn	Chair Williams adjourned the meeting at 6:18 pm