CITY OF SEATAC Human Services Advisory Committee Minutes

June 17, 2013	SeaTac City Hall
5:30 PM	Airport Conference Room

Call to Order Committee members met at 5:30 PM

Members Present Joe Van, Ron Altier, Judith Williams (alt.)

Members Absent Phyllis Byers, Cheryl Forbes, Valerie Allan, Othman Heibe (alt.)

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

Approval of Minutes

BUSINESS

Agency Presentation(s)

Ahmed Jama, Executive Director of Somali Community Services Coalition shared that with the support of the City of SeaTac and other partners they have accomplished in 2012: Youth Leadership program, dental exams, summer program, continued partnership with Police, Growing Transit Communities grant to engage the community on safety/transportation/housing, voter registration, computer technology classes, and social services. They served 72 residents in 2012 with housing, health, rent, utility, and legal assistance. Residents were provided help with accessing and navigating other resources as well.

Jeff Robinson Economic Development Manager discussed the importance of housing and when it's constructed it creates economic stimulus, i.e.: jobs, taxes are generated, sates tax accrued on goods/materials and a positive impact on the community. ACS survey shows only 35% of homes are affordable to 50% of the SeaTac population who earn incomes between \$15,000-\$49,999. If you build good affordable housing that's managed and maintained well and tenants are screened, it raises other property values around it. The question was asked on how to improve the housing stock we have – strict code enforcement and rental housing licensing that requires annual inspection. Businesses want to be where good, affordable housing is so it is available for their employees.

New Business

Colleen shared information on the following:

- SOAR conference on youth programming at Green River CC on 6/21
- June 25th South King Council of Human Services Annual Luncheon keynote: The Suburbanization of Poverty.
- BTSF has a few new sponsors ComCast, Alaska Airlines
- We are leveraging our dollars for SafeFutures programming, serving at risk teens, with a King County grant.
- Committee is considering a visit or two to funded agencies

Next meeting: July 15th, 2013. Time – 5:30pm. Airport Conference Room

ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 7:30PM