



AGENDA

CITY OF SEASIDE
HOMELESS COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBER
440 Harcourt Avenue
Thursday, June 28, 2018
6:30 PM

PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR CELL PHONES UPON ENTERING THE MEETING

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL - ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

HOMELESS COMMITTEE

Dominique Jones
Alessandro Tani
Sasha Allen
Kenneth Murray
Molly Fittro
Natalia Molina
Jessica Hare

Chair
Vice Chair
Committee Member
Committee Member
Committee Member
Committee Member
Committee Member

3. **REVIEW OF AGENDA**

If there are any items that arose after the 72-hour posting deadline, this is the point in the meeting where a vote may be taken to add the item to the agenda. (A 2/3-majority vote is required).

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Members of the public wishing to address the City Council on matters within the jurisdiction of the City of Seaside, but not on this agenda, may do so during the Public Comment period for up to three minutes. Public Comments on specific agenda items are heard under that item. For the public record, please state your name.

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. APPROVE MINUTES FROM APRIL 26, 2018 REGULAR MEETING

6. **PRESENTATIONS**

A. PRESENTATION FROM COMMANDER VELOZ - SEASIDE POLICE DEPARTMENT

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION: Receive presentation.

B. PRESENTATION FROM JACK MURPHEY - VETERAN'S TRANSITION CENTER

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION: Receive presentation.

7. STUDY SESSION

A. MONTEREY COUNTY 2017 HOMELESS CENSUS AND SURVEY

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION: For committee members to share research material from the 2017 Homeless Census and Survey.

8. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. DISCUSS AND APPROVE DRAFT LETTER INTRODUCING HOMELESS COMMITTEE TO BE SENT TO COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION: For committee to approve draft letter to be distributed to community service organizations.

B. DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION FOR SERVICE PROVIDER PRESENTATIONS AT FUTURE MEETINGS

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION: Provide staff with direction for future presentations from homeless community service providers.

C. DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION REGARDING CITY BUDGETED FUNDS FOR HOMELESS SERVICES

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION: That the Committee discuss possible recommendations to the City Council for budgeted funds for homeless services.

D. DISCUSSION REGARDING SENDING A LETTER TO THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE PERTAINING TO THE STATE BUDGET SURPLUS AND TO REQUEST MONEY BE SET ASIDE TO FUND CITIES' AND COUNTIES' HOMELESS SERVICES EFFORTS.

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION: The purpose of this item is for the Committee to discuss and potentially draft a letter to the Governor's Office pertaining to the State budget surplus; requesting money be set aside to fund cities' and counties' homeless services efforts.

9. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

A. REPORT FROM COMMITTEE MEMBER NATALIA MOLINA: "HUNGER & HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS WEEK"

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION: Receive report.

10. REPORTS FROM STAFF

A. HOUSING FIRST APPROACH

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION: Receive report.

11. ADJOURNMENT

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July 26, 2018
Seaside City Hall
6:30 PM

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DRAFT MINUTES

CITY OF SEASIDE
HOMELESS COMMITTEE

MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBER

Thursday, April 26, 2018
6:30 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Call to order at 6:33 p.m.

ROLL CALL - ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Present: Allen, Murray, Fittro, Tani, Molina, Jones

Absent: None

2. **REVIEW OF AGENDA**

No Changes

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion: Tani, Second: Murray, Unanimous

A. **APPROVE MINUTES APRIL 12, 2018**

Motion: Tani, Second: Murray, Unanimous

5. **PRESENTATIONS**

None

6. **BUSINESS ITEMS**

A. **DISCUSS AND APPROVE A MISSION STATEMENT FOR THE COMMITTEE**

General discussion

- a. Public Comment: Jessica Hare, Rogelio Nugent
- b. Agreed upon statement: **To Plan, Advocate, Support and Collaborate with Those Effected by Homelessness.**
- c. Motion: Allen, Second: Tani, Unanimous

B. **RECEIVE, DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION REGARDING DRAFT LETTER INTRODUCING HOMELESS COMMITTEE TO BE SENT TO COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS**

Draft letter introducing Homeless Committee to Community Organizations. Direction: Input from each member sent to Chief Dempsey, forward list of thoughts to Fittro to compose draft letter to be presented at the next meeting. Motion: Murray, Second: Allen, Unanimous.

C. DISCUSSION OF SERVICES AND SERVICE PROVIDERS PROVIDING SERVICES FOR THE HOMELESS COMMUNITY AND SET LIST OF PRESENTATION TOPICS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Discussion revolved around the Monterey County 2017 Homeless Census & Survey Comprehensive Report. Members agreed to research and bring information back to the committee, specifically Homeless Survey Finding and HUD Defined Subpopulation.

- Jones: Demographics, Living Accommodations, Primary Cause
- Murray: Services and Assistance, Criminal Justice System
- Tani: Families and Children, Unaccompanied Homeless Children and Transition-Age-Youth
- Molina: Domestic/Partner Violence or Abuse, Pets
- Allen: Health, Chronically Homeless Individuals, Homeless Veteran Status
- Fittro: Employment and Income

D. RECEIVE, DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION REGARDING DRAFT ANNUAL WORK PLAN

Public Comment: Jessica Hare: Chronically Homeless, consider safe parking zones. Rogelio Nugent: Be more inclusive in current priorities. Motion to adopt work plan with mission statement and edits: Tani, Second: Murray, Unanimous.

E. DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION REGARDING CITY BUDGETED FUNDS FOR HOMELESS SERVICES

General discussion. Public Comment: Jessica Hare: reach out to more local resources. Rogelio Nugent: Identify organizations and offer funds, voucher system may be a good idea. Direction: table item until May 24th meeting.

7. REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Molina May 19th 9 a.m.- 12 p.m. National Coalition Institute, Community Conversation. Jones: Community Conference on Domestic Violence April 28th 10:00 a.m. Ocean View Baptist Church.

8. REPORTS FROM STAFF

No report

9. ADJOURNMENT

8:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Dempsey, Committee Clerk

Domonique Jones, Chair



**CITY OF SEASIDE
STAFF REPORT**

Item No.: 8.A.

TO: Homeless Committee

BY: Brian Dempsey, Fire Chief

DATE: June 28, 2018

**SUBJECT: DISCUSS AND APPROVE DRAFT LETTER INTRODUCING
HOMELESS COMMITTEE TO BE SENT TO COMMUNITY
ORGANIZATIONS**

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION

For committee to approve draft letter to be distributed to community service organizations.

BACKGROUND

At the April 26, 2018 Homeless Committee meeting, committee members agreed to provide thoughts for a letter to be distributed to community service providers that details the mission of the Homeless Committee.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Homeless Committee Letter -1
 2. Homeless Committee Letter-2
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CITY OF SEASIDE/HOMELESS COMMITTEE

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Dear [First name],

We are very excited to introduce the Homeless Committee to the City of Seaside. Our inaugural committee is committed to support the city of Seaside and it's residents, businesses and organizations, by paying special attention to those who are homeless. Our team has designed its working mission statement, which is to (INSERT HERE).

The City of Seaside has shown its dedication to supporting our committee by providing us with a \$30,000.00 working budget. It is our utmost priority to use this budget, in a fiscally responsible way, to support those that are homeless and near homeless. The City of Seaside has provided us with data, which we have been reviewing in detail, to make educated decisions on best ways to utilize our budget. We have hopes to partner with existing groups and organizations and would like to invite you to come to one of our committee meetings. Your participation could provide our group with critical insight on current trends, areas of need, and possibilities for further fiscal engagement.

We would like to say thank you to the City of Seaside and all groups, organizations and individuals working to support those persons in our city who are homeless. Our committee looks forward to our work together and possible partnership with you.

I would encourage anyone with any questions, comments, or concerns to contact us through our city liaison Fire Chief Brian Dempsey at bdempsey@ci.seaside.ca.us.

If you would like to come to a meeting to listen, participate or present, our meetings are held the fourth Thursday of the month at 6:30pm in the Council Chambers at Seaside City Hall.

Respectfully,

City of Seaside Homeless Committee and Fire Chief Brian Dempsey



CITY OF SEASIDE/COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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Dear [First name],

We are very excited to introduce the Homeless Committee to the City of Seaside. Our mission is to plan, advocate, support and collaborate with those affected by homelessness. With the experience, education, and wisdom collectively possessed by the Committee, we are confident we will positively impact our community through our objectives. Our group currently consists of six community members with one additional seat available. To apply to be a member of the Homeless Committee, please express your interest to the contact below to obtain an application.

The work of our Committee will not be restricted to these members as it is our desire to utilize each resident, environmental group, and non-profit organization who is dedicated to helping our community achieve the Committee objectives.

Our community needs the assistance and support of everyone in order to succeed. Thank you, homeless advocates of Seaside for welcoming our committee and celebrating this announcement as it is the first of many great things to come.

I would encourage anyone with any questions, comments, or concerns to contact us at

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Everyone on the committee looks forward to your involvement at one of our upcoming meetings, which are held on the fourth Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Seaside City Hall.

Respectfully,



**CITY OF SEASIDE
STAFF REPORT**

Item No.: 8.B.

TO: Homeless Committee

BY: Brian Dempsey, Fire Chief

DATE: June 28, 2018

**SUBJECT: DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION FOR SERVICE PROVIDER
PRESENTATIONS AT FUTURE MEETINGS**

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION

Provide staff with direction for future presentations from homeless community service providers.

BACKGROUND

At the April 26, 2018 regular meeting, the committee discussed setting a schedule for future presentations from homeless community service providers staff is looking for direction for the committee to recommend a list of providers:

- CHOMP Mobile Clinic
- Sun Street Centers
- Coalition of Homeless
- Monterey County Health Department
- Monterey PD CAT
- Salvation Army
- Housing Resource Centers
- Interim, Inc.
- Veterans Transition Center
- Coalition of Homeless Services Providers
- YWCA

ATTACHMENTS

None

Meeting Date: June 28, 2018



**CITY OF SEASIDE
STAFF REPORT**

Item No.: 8.C.

TO: Homeless Committee

BY: Brian Dempsey, Fire Chief

DATE: June 28, 2018

**SUBJECT: DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION REGARDING CITY
BUDGETED FUNDS FOR HOMELESS SERVICES**

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee discuss possible recommendations to the City Council for budgeted funds for homeless services.

BACKGROUND

The City Council budgeted \$30,000 during the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year with intent to find a use to benefit homeless or nearly homeless individuals in the Seaside Community. When initially budgeted, the City Council did not have a clear expectation where it would be expended and has recommended that the Committee make a recommendation for it's highest and best use.

Recently there have been many discussions regarding the use of funds at the Council level but ultimately they are waiting on a proposal from the Committee. Funds may be encumbered prior to June 30, 2018 or carried over to FY 18-19.

Staff recommends that the Committee members be prepared to discuss possible options for use of the \$30,000 funds and make a recommendation to the City Council.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Draft Resolution for Discussion
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WHEREAS, According to the 2017 Monterey County Homeless Census & Survey, the overall health of an individual is greatly affected by a lack of housing, and life expectancy dramatically decreases by 25 years for individuals experiencing homelessness; and

WHEREAS, According to that same study, the homeless population generates combined public costs from emergency room visits, interactions with law enforcement, and incarceration that together exceed the costs of providing permanent housing and supportive services; and

WHEREAS, According to the National Coalition for the Homeless, homelessness and poverty are inextricably linked, and the high cost of housing often pushes people into homelessness; and

WHEREAS, According to the United States Census Bureau, as of 2016, 16% of Seaside's population lives below the poverty level, and, from 2012 through 2016, the median gross rent in Seaside for all housing types and sizes combined was \$1,482 per month; and

WHEREAS, the 2018 federal poverty level for a family of four is \$25,100; and

WHEREAS, The 1968 Housing and Urban Development Act established a rent threshold of 25% of family income, which was, in 1981, raised to 30%; and

WHEREAS, an impoverished family of four would spend more than 70% of their income on the median cost of housing in Seaside, far exceeding the 50% threshold for being severely housing-cost burdened; and

WHEREAS, I-HELP provides homeless men and women short-term lodging, nightly evening meals, and support in finding employment; and

WHEREAS, The Salvation Army's Good Samaritan Center in Sand City, California provides the homeless community with breakfasts; lunches; showers; laundry facilities; phone, fax, and mail

services; lockers; and case managers to assist with renting a home, discounts on utilities, and drug and alcohol rehabilitation services; and

WHEREAS, The City of Seaside has budgeted \$30,000 in fiscal year 2017-2018 and another \$30,000 in fiscal year 2018-2019 to support the homeless community; now therefore be it

RESOLVED BY THE HOMELESS COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF SEASIDE, that the City of Seaside is encouraged to contribute \$15,000 to I-HELP and \$25,000 to The Salvation Army Good Samaritan Center in Sand City, California in support of their homeless outreach and support services; and be it further

RESOLVED that the remaining \$20,000 of funds budgeted for supporting the homeless community be set aside to be used by the City of Seaside before the end of the 2018-2019 fiscal year, on the recommendation of its Homeless Committee.



**CITY OF SEASIDE
STAFF REPORT**

Item No.: 8.D.

TO: Homeless Committee

BY: Brian Dempsey, Fire Chief

DATE: June 28, 2018

**SUBJECT: DISCUSSION REGARDING SENDING A LETTER TO THE
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE PERTAINING TO THE STATE BUDGET
SURPLUS AND TO REQUEST MONEY BE SET ASIDE TO FUND
CITIES' AND COUNTIES' HOMELESS SERVICES EFFORTS.**

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION

The purpose of this item is for the Committee to discuss and potentially draft a letter to the Governor's Office pertaining to the State budget surplus; requesting money be set aside to fund cities' and counties' homeless services efforts.

BACKGROUND

As homelessness is a local, county, state and federal issue, funding sources from outside the City of Seaside are necessary to address the homeless issue within the city limits.

ATTACHMENTS

None
