



Homeless Prevention & Response System Advisory Council Work Session & Monthly Meeting

4/25/2024 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

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#	TOPIC	OWNER	TIME
PUBLIC MEETING			
1	Welcome Membership	Chair	4:00 pm
2	Land Acknowledgment	Zoryna Leilai	4:01 pm
3	Mission Moment	Suzi Pearson	4:02 pm
4	Consent Agenda (<i>Decision</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting Agenda Changes & Approval (<i>Decision</i>) March Meeting Minutes Approval (<i>Decision</i>) 	Chair	4:05 pm
5	Advisory Council Chair Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Items for <i>Education/Discussion/Decision</i> Committee Check-in & Updates (Chairs) General Updates 	Chair	4:10 pm
6	ACEH Report (<i>Education</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Government Updates Operational Updates 	ACEH Staff	4:20 pm
7	Special Presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CoC Program Competition Debriefing 	Jessica Parks	4:25 pm
8	Questions & Comments from Chat Box and Audience	Chair	4:45 pm
9	Good News & Community Events (<i>time permitting</i>) <i>Councilors and public audience are encouraged to share upcoming event(s) &/or related announcement(s) → limited to 30 seconds</i>	All	4:50 pm
10	Upcoming Advocacy Opportunities & Closing Remarks	Chair	4:55 pm
11	Adjournment	Chair	5:00 pm

Supplemental Information (Found in Packet)

- March Advisory Council Meeting Minutes (*draft for approval*)



Homeless Prevention & Response System Advisory Council MONTHLY MEETING

DATE OF MEETING: 03/28/2024

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>EXCUSED</u>	<u>ACEH STAFF PRESENT</u>
Grace Gallagher Julia Terry Roger Branson Will Walker Robin Dempsey Sharon Chamard Jenny Di Grappa Dave Kuiper Charles Gorman Dave Mayo-Kiely Suzi Pearson (Vice-Chair) Holly Morales Laura Cox-Wilson	Alison Kear (Chair) Cesar Ramirez De La Cruz Zoryna Lealai (Ryna)	Jessica Parks Lisa Demer
	<u>NOT EXCUSED</u>	<u>FACILITATOR</u> Mitch Laird
	<u>GUESTS</u> Chris Kolerok, CIHA Amber McPhail, Community Member Kim Seitz, ICA	<u>SCRIBE</u> Emily Berliner

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

WELCOME:

- Suzi Pearson, HPRS AC Vice Chair, welcomed attendees and called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM. Quorum was confirmed.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

- Dave Kuiper provided a thoughtful land acknowledgment.

MISSION MOMENT:

- Holly Morales from CITC provided a mission moment highlighting CITC's newly established team to help participants addressing homelessness.

DECISION: CONSENT AGENDA

- The Council reviewed the February 22, 2024, Advisory Council meeting minutes and the March 28, 2024 meeting agenda.
 - **Motion:** Grace Gallagher moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.
 - **Second:** Roger Branson seconded the motion.
 - **Discussion:** None
 - **Objections:** None
 - **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

HPRS Updates

- Items for Discussion/Decision:
 - HPRS AC Retreat is planned for Friday, April 26; time/location is being determined, but it will likely take place between 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM.

- Julia Terry expressed interest in the following topics: Understanding roles and responsibilities; strategic planning; and ACEH staff and AC member collaboration.
 - Grace Gallagher is interested in reviewing and updating the Governance Charter.
 - Members are also interested in gaining a deeper understanding of the HPRS AC committees.
 - The Governance Charter and other materials will be provided to members prior to the retreat.
- Committee Updates
 - *Compliance Committee* – Roger Branson reported that they met this month and have been regrouping since Roger became the new Chair; they will be reviewing the charter and address a strategic direction; by the retreat, they are looking to have a charter review; the committee will continue meeting on the first Monday of the month at 3:00 PM.
 - *Data Committee* – Sharon Chamard reported that they met last week both in-person and virtually; looked at metrics for the Anchored Home Plan and come up with an acceptable change will be, which they will be working on over the next few months.
 - *Coordinated Entry Committee* – Julia Terry reported that they meet the first Friday of the month at 11:30 AM; currently via Zoom, but open to hybrid.
 - *Community Prioritization Committee* – No Report at this time; seeking new Chair.

ACEH REPORT

- Government Updates
 - At the local level, the Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) is preparing for first quarter budget revisions, which should be going through the Assembly in the next month or so.
 - There is a proposed amendment to allocate \$4 million to MOA to support a shelter facility on 56th Avenue.
 - At the State level, there is a House Bill being sponsored by Rep. Josephson that would change the required period of time for rent increase notifications from 30 days to 90 days.
 - ACEH is also following and supporting two additional bills: (1) A bill to expand waiver payment eligibility; and (2) A bill proposed by Senator Dunbar to implement a blighted property tax in communities with property taxes already in place.
- Operational Updates
 - Coordinated Entry Summit was held February 28 – March 1; this was well-attended, and all the event resources are available online.
 - <https://www.aceh.org/ce-conference>
 - This was followed up with a one-day training about coordinated entry interviewing, which focused on having productive conversations and bringing a personal touch to the experience.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

- Anchored Home Plan
 - Jessica Parks shared a presentation about the Anchored Home Plan 2023-2028, which is an action-oriented guide to solving homelessness in Anchorage. It lays

out concrete steps and measurements on which to gauge progress and provide accountability.

- Community engagement events and surveys have informed the Anchored Home Plan to address homelessness in Anchorage, with a goal to prioritize housing and supportive services for those with the greatest needs.
- Jessica highlighted Anchored Home's strategic directions to address homelessness in Anchorage, including expanding housing support and coordination, in addition to strengthening data collection and sharing.
- The plan aims to reduce homelessness by increasing access to housing and funding, and promoting equity through meaningful participation and compensation for those with lived experience.
- Roger Branson expressed his appreciation for the hard work put forth by Jessica Parks and ACEH in developing the plan, despite persisting challenges.
- Jessica added that HUD requires a community strategic plan for the application, so the HPRS Advisory Council will need to formally adopt the Anchored Home Plan; this will take place during the April 25 monthly meeting.

QUESTIONS & COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE & PUBLIC

- None.

UPCOMING ADVOCACY OPPORTUNITIES

- A list of upcoming advocacy opportunities in Anchorage was shared with the councilors and guests; there is a work session on camp abatement that was highlighted.
- Advocacy efforts have been successful in restoring \$3.7 million in funding for domestic violence shelters in Alaska.
- Julia Terry highlighted the Alaska Youth Action Board's lobbying efforts in Juneau and their exciting work; they also shared that registration is open for the Point Source Youth's National Symposium; the agenda can be accessed here: <https://www.pointsourceyouth.org/national-symposium-2024/agenda>.
- ACEH Coordinated Entry Specialist, Ziona Brownlow, will be presenting during the symposium.
- Jessica Parks added that the next step housing pilot program is reaching its halfway point with 80 people housed thus far.

ADJOURNMENT

- The HPRS Advisory Council Meeting adjourned at 4:51 PM.