

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES – CAC REVIEW/APPROVAL PENDING

TEMS CAC Minutes

Date / time: May 10, 2021, 6-7:30 pm

Location: Virtual Zoom Meeting

Members attending: Linda Sliva, Carla Johnson, Jessica Hartenstine

LIHI Staff attending: Josh Castle, Becca Finkes, Ty Dilworth, Lidya Stamper, Joe Perva, Nick Turner, Ty Campbell

City Staff attending: Officer Steve Butts, Matthew Jorgenson

Minute Taker: Becca Finkes

Topics:

1. Introductions
2. Discussion of roles
 - a. Minute taker: Becca Finkes
 - b. Chair: Josh Castle
3. Review and approval of April meeting minutes
4. Village Management Report (Joe Perva)
 - a. 56 residents
 - b. 1 medical call
 - c. 1st COVID shot - vaccines came to the village from Public Health
 - i. 2nd shot scheduled for 18th
 - d. 25 COVID tests available for Tacoma villages to provide on-site during quarantine
 - e. Cars have been taken care of outside of village
 - f. Resident who has been walking around the village at night now has reflective vest
 - i. Moving into housing once she is fully vaccinated
 - g. Donation of office supplies!
 - h. Village has camera at main gate - Linda asked and let staff know she dropped off donations but no one was at the office to receive them
5. Case Management Report (Ty and Ty)
 - a. 3 residents moved out, 1 more planned move out this month
 - i. Lidya supported residents with furniture for housing
 - b. Carla asks for clarification of qualifications for eligibility
 - i. HUD definition of unsheltered - low barrier village so not many other requirements beyond that other than agreeing to abide by the Code of Conduct

- ii. Carla questions if alcohol/drugs are allowed - she did not think this was the case
 - 1. Ty confirms half of residents in some sort of treatment - harm reduction model
 - 2. Having shelter is first step to rehabilitation
 - iii. Carla voices concern with this - sent email to staff about alleged drug dealing in the neighborhood by resident
 - 1. Josh will follow up in next couple of days about this
 - 2. Individual with green truck is no longer permitted to visit the village - resident has been addressed
 - iv. Josh clarifies alcohol/drug use is not allowed in public space - this is per Code of Conduct
 - 1. Linda wants clarification on house inspections per Good Neighbor Agreement
 - a. Joe notes that these are not happening due to COVID to respect health regulations and boundaries
6. Donation Needs
- a. Need towels! Storage, picnic food, clothes (XL, XXL men)
7. Open Discussion
- a. Officer Butts - monitoring the area for cars, keeping an eye out for activity
 - b. Matthew - village now has extra trash container
 - i. Linda confirmed there has been no overflow
 - c. Joe shares more details on how people become homeless, and the barriers to accessing housing - case managers do incredible work in supporting residents to navigate these many hardships and 2-3 people moving out each month is a success when also considering COVID and affordable housing crisis
 - i. Ty shares the impact LIHI staff has on clients - support from staff helps residents imagine something different than their coping mechanisms they have depended on in homelessness (employment, housing, rehabilitation)