



MINUTES
Ad Hoc on Homelessness & Solutions
Tuesday, June 27, 2023 @ 3:30 p.m.
City Council Conference Room, 10th Floor City Hall

CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Brown called the meeting to order at 3:32 pm

PRESENT

Council Member Jeffrey Brown, Chair
Council Member Adam Hussain, Vice-Chair
Council Member Patricia Spitzley, Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Sherrie Boak, Council Office Manager
Matt Staples, OCA
Council Member Kost
Belinda Fitzpatrick
Laura Purchase
Cathleen Edgerly, DLI
Toni Young, HRCS
Joseph MacDonald, HRCS
Norma Bauer

MINUTES

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HUSSAIN TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JUNE 13, 2023 AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

Public Comment

Ms. Fitzpatrick spoke in opposition to Code Compliance doing inspections without search warrants.

Ms. Purchase spoke on behalf of Ms. Fitzpatrick's housing situation and animal control conflict with her pets.

DISCUSSION/ACTION

Discussion on Committee Recommendations and Reporting

The Committee looked at the documents from the Ad Hoc on Housing from 2022 as templates and boilerplates for their reporting.

The Committee discussed on expectations including recommendations, policies, recommendations to State and neighboring agencies.

Council Member Spitzley reviewed the 2022 bullet points and asked the Committee to consider reviewing this Committee minutes from 2023 for topics. She also asked testimony from the

administration on what they are already doing for homelessness moving forwards. If this Committee makes recommendations they can advise if things are already being done or if some of the recommendations cannot be done. Council Member Brown stated the administration was invited and were not able to attend and asked for a list of questions in advance for them to respond and not attend. Council Member Hussain stated it needs to go to the Mayor to instruct them to attend, and if it is clear that the department is not willing to attend. Council Member Brown will follow up with Ms. Richmond and forward that to the Mayor's office for participation in the process. Council Member Hussain asked Council Member Brown to review the minutes and topics to consider. Ms. Boak asked if they wanted handouts from all residents

Council Member Hussain asked to invite to the July 11th meeting and if they cannot attend that one, then have a special meeting so they can all attend. Council Member Spitzley and Brown concurred. The Committee asked to invite departments that address the warming centers, HRCS, EDP staff that handles the programs (Barb Kimmel and Doris Witherspoon) to address homelessness, Neighborhoods and Citizen Engagement, and EDP for housing. Council Member Hussain reiterated a bullet list from the minutes, and Council Member Brown stated he could have it turned around quickly and get back to Committee.

OTHER

It was reiterated to the Committee that the Budget Priorities are due October 1st, and Council Member Brown chose 9/11.

Council Member Spitzley referenced a resolution that was done in 2022 and proposed a possibility of doing a resolution again this year from this Committee.

Public Comment

Ms. Bauer spoke on a housing situation that was brought to her attention on possible discrepancies with housing benefits for different individuals in the same units and spoke in support of Statewide rent control.

ADJOURN

Adjourned at 3:57 pm

Submitted by,

Sherrie Boak, Recording Secretary

Lansing City Council

Approved by the Committee on July 11, 2023