

**MINUTES
HOMELESS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 13, 2006 – 11:30 AM
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE ROOM**

Members Present: Alan Graff, Carol Twedt, Tam Baker, Randy Bartunek, Hugh Grogan, and Vernon Brown.

Members Absent: Judy Buseman and Lori Blom

Others Present: Ken McFarland, County Commission Office; Russ Sorenson, City Planning Department; and Suzanne Schroeder, Community Development staff.

AGENDA

- I. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 10/30/06.** Tam Baker asked that Discussion Item V.I. second-to-last sentence be changed from “would” to “may”. Upon motion by Hugh Grogan, seconded by Tam Baker, the Board voted to approve the minutes of October 30, 2006, as mailed. Carried unanimously.

- II. **COMMITTEE REPORTS – REVIEW ACCOMPLISHMENTS & TARGET DATES**
 - A. **Need Committee/Homeless Reporting Dashboard** – Hugh Grogan reported the Need Committee will be meeting Friday, November 17, 2006, with the goal of adding more members to the committee.
 - B. **Strategy Committee** – Vernon Brown and Carol Twedt. Vernon Brown reported the committee will meet on Thursday, November 16, 2006, to work on updating the dashboard.
 - C. **Financing Committee** – Randy Bartunek. Randy Bartunek reported there are no updates.
 - D. **Faith Based Community Committee** – Tam Baker. Tam Baker reported this committee will be meeting on Wednesday, November 14, 2006, with the goal of adding more members to the committee.

- III. **JOINT CITY/COUNTY MEETING – NOVEMBER 20, 2006.**
 - A. **Amendments to Joint Cooperative Agreement** – Randy Bartunek reported the amendments are in the process of City Council/County Commission approval.
 - B. **Presentation of Homeless Survey** – Hugh Grogan said he will be making a presentation to the Joint City/County Meeting on Monday, November 20, 2006, containing information on the core group of chronic homeless and the current costs of providing services to them.

IV. DISCUSS HOMELESS COALITION INTERACTION WITH HAB.

Hugh Grogan reported he plans to meet with Homeless Coalition staff to stress the Homeless Coalition should have a major presence on the Homeless Advisory Board and to discuss the form their participation could take.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. **Website Link** -It was decided by the HAB to post meeting dates on the website, as well as meeting minutes; and invite the public to attend their meetings. A Community Development staff person will be the contact person for updating the HAB website.
- B. **Eighth and Minnesota Property – Dahl House.** Discussion was held on the suitability of this property as housing for the chronic homeless and the potential loss of eleven HUD housing vouchers.
- C. **Committee Members** – The Homeless Advisory Board discussed the need to add a new member.
- D. **Other Property** – Discussion was held on the housing potential of smaller motel properties for the chronic homeless and the suitability of other properties.

VI. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. The HAB discussed the need for a full-time staff person to assist the HAB in accomplishing their goals.

VII. NEXT MEETINGS – December 4 and 18 – 11:30 a.m.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.