

MINUTES
HOMELESS ADVISORY BOARD – SPECIAL MEETING
JANUARY 8, 2007 – 11:30 AM
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE ROOM

Members Present: Alan Graff, Tam Baker, Hugh Grogan, Vernon Brown, Carol Twedt, Lori Blom, Randy Bartunek, Shirley Halleen, and Judy Buseman.

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Jean Willemsen, Diane Josephson, Augustana College; Russ Sorenson, Planning Department; and Suzanne Schroeder, Community Development.

Alan Graff welcomed Shirley Halleen to the Homeless Advisory Board. He explained the subcommittees and invited her to join the subcommittees she would like to work with.

Alan Graff announced the agenda for this meeting will have two items: 1) Strategy Committee objectives, and 2) Homeless Coordinator Job Responsibilities Definition.

AGENDA

1) STRATEGY COMMITTEE OBJECTIVES

Vernon Brown said the Strategy Committee had met and discussed the statement of Strategies to Meet the Priority Objective. The Strategy Committee had questioned the amendment to #4, Community Partners, which deleted the statement “The committee strongly recommends that the City and County provide funding for a full-time staff person to the Homeless Advisory board. This staff person will help identify and coordinate the community effort to meet the priority objectives of the Homeless Advisory Board.” After discussion, the committee upon motion by Judy Buseman, seconded by Lori Blom, voted to reinstate the amended statement as follows: “The committee strongly recommends that the City and County provide funding for staffing the Homeless Advisory board. This staff person will help identify and coordinate the community effort to meet the priority objectives of the Homeless Advisory Board.” Carried unanimously.

2) HOMELESS COORDINATOR POSITION

Discussion was held on the need for staffing assistance for the Homeless Advisory Board and a draft document of the Homeless Coordinator Core Responsibilities was reviewed. Discussion was held on whether the position would be a part-time or a full-time position and the possibilities of attracting qualified applicants to a part-time, short-term position.

Alan Graff reminded the Board that the next regular meeting will be January 22, 2007.