

June 23, 2022

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

OF

THE NEVADA INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS LEGISLATIVE STANDING COMMITTEE

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The Nevada Interagency Council on Homelessness Legislative Standing Committee was called to order by Chair Bailey Bortolin at 1:02 p.m. on Thursday June 23, 2022. This meeting is being conducted virtually. This meeting was noticed in accordance with Nevada Open Meeting Law and posted on <https://dwss.nv.gov/Home/Features/Public-Information/> the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services website.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair Bailey Bortolin, Deputy Chief of Staff to Governor Sisolak, Nevada

Christine Saunders, Policy Director of Progressive Leadership Alliance of Nevada, Nevada

Erik Jimenez, Nevada State Treasurer's Office Chief Deputy, Nevada

Christine Hess, Executive Director Nevada Housing Coalition, Nevada

Jonathan Norman, Advocacy Outreach Policy Director for the Nevada Coalition of Legal Service Providers, Nevada

Arash Ghafoori, Executive Director of Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth, Nevada

Catrina Grigsby-Thedford, Executive Director Nevada Homeless Alliance, Nevada

Serafin Calvo Arreola, Nevada Manager of Parking Enforcement, Nevada

Lilith Baran, Policy Associate at the ACLU of Nevada, Nevada

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jennifer Harvey, Advocate for unhoused in Reno, Mental Health Rehabilitation Specialist
·Counseling Services H.O.P.E, Nevada

Pastor Phillip Washington, Vice Chair of Nevada Faith Health Coalition; Founder of Urban
Community Project, Nevada

Nathaniel Waugh, Interim Executive Director Manager of Policy Advocacy and Training, Nevada
Homeless Alliance, Nevada

Andre Wade, Nevada State Director of Silver State Equality Institute, Nevada

OTHERS PRESENT:

Niani Cooper, Manager, Homeless to Housing, Nevada Department of Health and Human
Services, Nevada

Gabriel Del Castillo Woods, Homeless to Housing, Nevada Department of Health and Human
Services, Nevada

Ryan Sunga, DAG, Nevada

Lenore Boekankamp, Social Service Manager IV, Nevada Department of Health and Human
Services, Nevada

Brooke Page, Nevada Housing Coalition Director Southwest, Nevada

Sarah Adler, National Alliance on Mental Health Illness, Nevada

Agenda Item I. Welcome, Call to Order and Roll Call

Niani Cooper:

Good morning and welcome to the Legislative Standing Committee for the Governor's
Interagency Council on Homelessness to Housing. This meeting has been publicly noticed in
compliance with Nevada's Open Meeting Law. The Legislative Standing Committee Chair Bailey
Bortolin will call the meeting to order.

Chair Bortolin:

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Good afternoon, it's 10:03am p.m. and I'd like to call the June 23rd meeting of the Legislative Standing Committee to order. Will Niani please call roll?

Niani Cooper:

[Roll Call. We have quorum.]

Agenda Item II. Public Comment

Chair Bortolin:

We will go to item number II. on the agenda, which is public comment. No action may be taken upon a matter raised until the matter is specifically added to an agenda. Comments are limited to three minutes. We are now open for public comment, please unmute yourself and state your name for the council.

[Public Comment]

Sarah Adler:

Good morning. I am Sarah Adler today representing NAMI, which is the National Alliance on Mental Illness Nevada, and I want to thank all of you for your work on the Council and as a legislative committee, just wanted to let you know, we're excited about your topics today and that N.A.M.I Nevada is very much focused at this time on housing, housing for the homeless, which we think can occur through supportive housing and housing for extremely Low-income people, we hope to be bringing forward one or more legislative proposals related to that. But weren't you to know that we're supporting your work? Thank you.

Agenda Item III. Discussion and possible approval of minutes from March 24th, 2022, Legislative standing committee.

Johnathan Norman:

Motion

Arash Ghafoori:

Seconded

[Motion Carries]

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Agenda Item IV. Presentation on Eviction Policy.

Presentation- Johnathan Norman, Summary Eviction Overview PowerPoint

Jnorman@lacs.org or 702-575-5505

Agenda Item V. Presentation on Disparities Faced by Homeless Youth and Recommendations for Legislative Support.

Presentation- Lenore Boekankamp & Niani Cooper - Disparities Faced by Homeless Youth and Recommendations for Legislative Support, Division of Welfare and Supportive Services PowerPoint

Lenore Boekankamp, SSM IV, DWSS 702-631-3079 lboekankamp@dwss.nv.gov

Niani Cooper, SSM I, DWSS 702-486-1532 ncooper@dwss.nv.gov

Agenda Item VI. Presentation on Affordable Housing Opportunities for Consideration to Impact Homelessness in Nevada

Presentation – Christine Hess & Brooke Page- Affordable Housing Opportunities for Consideration to Impact Homelessness in Nevada PowerPoint

Chair Bortolin:

<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=341301>

Agenda Item VII. Public Comment.

Chair Bortolin:

We will go to item number VII. on the agenda, which is public comment. No action may be taken upon a matter raised until the matter is specifically added to an agenda. Comments are limited to three minutes. We are now open for public comment, please unmute yourself and state your name for the council.

[No Public Comment]

Chair Bortolin:

Great. Thank you. Hearing no other comments, this meeting is adjourned.

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Adjourned 11:46 a.m.

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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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Niani Cooper, Committee Moderator

APPROVED BY:

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Bailey Bortolin, Chair

Date: March 25, 2022