

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING

OF

### THE NEVADA INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS SUBCOMMITTEE FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

January 11, 2022

The Nevada Interagency Council on Homelessness Subcommittee for Technical Assistance was called to order by Chair Cassandra McNeil at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday January 11, 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:**

Cassandra McNeil, Chairwoman, Nevada Interagency Council on Homelessness Technical Assistance Subcommittee, Division of Welfare and Supportive Services Representative, Nevada

Lisa Lee, Owner/Manager Roots to Wings Consulting, Reno, Nevada

Fred Wagar, Deputy Director, Nevada Department of Veterans Services

Greg Herrera, Chief Deputy, Washoe County, Nevada

Michele Fuller-Hallauer, Manager, Clark County Social Services, Nevada

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

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

Carolyn Carr, Program Coordinator, Homeless to Housing, Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Nevada

Robin Kubas, Assistant, Homeless to Housing, Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Nevada

Ryan Sunga, DAG, Nevada

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

**Niani Cooper:**

Good morning and welcome to the Subcommittee Meeting for Technical Assistance 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 ICH Subcommittee Chair McNeil will call the meeting to order.

**Chair McNeil:**

Good afternoon, it's 1:00 p.m. and I'd like to call the January 11th meeting of the Subcommittee for Technical Assistance to order. Will the Niani please call roll?

**Niani Cooper:**

**[Roll Call. We have quorum.]**

**Agenda Item II. Public Comment**

**Chair McNeil:**

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.

**[No Public Comment]**

**Agenda Item III. Discussion and possible approval of minutes from November 3, 2021 Subcommittee for Technical Assistance meeting**

**Chair McNeil:**

The next item on the agenda is the approval of the minutes from November 3rd. Do I have a motion on the floor for approval of the minutes?

**Fred Wagar:**

I move to approve

**Greg Herrera:**

Seconded

[One abstention]

**Motion Carried**

**Agenda Item IV. Discussion and vote on addition of new members from interest letters received by Homeless to Housing administrative support.**

**Chair McNeil:**

We will go to item number IV. which is discussion and vote on addition of new members from interest letters received by Homeless to Housing administrative support.

**[Applicants were named and voted individually]:**

**Chair McNeil:**

I am looking for a motion to accept Karen Van Hest as a member of the technical subcommittee.

**Fred Wagar:**

Motion

**Lisa Lee:**

Seconded

**Motion Carried**

**Chair McNeil:**

I am looking for a motion to accept Nathaniel Waugh as a member of the technical subcommittee.

**Michele Fuller-Hallauer:**

Motion

**Greg Herrera:**

Seconded

**Motion carried**

**Chair McNeil:**

I am looking for a motion to accept John Hunt as a member of the technical subcommittee.

**Greg Herrera:**

Motion

**Fred Wager:**

Seconded

**Motion carried**

**Chair McNeil:**

I am looking for a motion to accept Nolga Valadez as a member of the technical subcommittee.

**Fred Wagar:**

Motion

**Michele Fuller-Hallauer:**

Seconded

**Motion carried**

**Chair McNeil:**

I am looking for a motion to accept Renee Sweeney as a member of the technical subcommittee.

**Greg Herrera:**

Motion

**Fred Wagar:**

Seconded

**Motion carried**

**Chair McNeil:**

I am looking for a motion to accept Hettie Reed as a member of the technical subcommittee.

**Lisa Lee:**

Motion

**Michele Fuller-Hallauer:**

Seconded

**Motion carried**

**Chair McNeil:**

I am looking for a motion to accept Yvonne Deslongchamp as a member of the technical subcommittee.

**Greg Herrera:**

Motion

**Lisa Lee:**

Seconded

**Motion carried**

**Agenda Item V. Discussion and assignment of responsibilities to update the strategic plan.**

**Chair McNeil:**

Moving on to agenda item V. Discussion and assignment of responsibilities to update the strategic plan. I know that Madam Chair Lee I stood up 3 new committees, so there's a lot. You know going on with that. And once those are committees are up and running then maybe we can put out some of the work. You know for those different committees. But I'll open the floor for discussion on how we should proceed

**Fred Wagar:**

I move to table

**Lisa Lee:**

Seconded

**[No action taken]**

**Agenda Item VI. Present information on DWSS Homeless to Housing Unit's role as administrative support to the council and subcommittee - Carolyn Carr Homeless to Housing Coordinator.**

**[Presentation received]**

**Agenda Item VII. Discussion of agenda items for next meeting**

**Chair McNeil:**

Agenda Item VII. is discussion of agenda items for next meeting.

**[Suggestions noted]**

**Agenda Item VIII. Public Comment**

**Chair McNeil:**

We will go to item number VIII. 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.

**Michele Fuller-Hallauer:**

Michelle Fuller Hallauer Clark County social service, collaborative applicant for the Southern Nevada Homelessness COC. I just wanted to let everybody know that, given the uh the increase in the enormous increase in covid positive cases here in Southern Nevada and the most recent guidance from HUD. We will be postponing our homeless point in time count until February 24th. HUD allowed us to do that. HUD recently released a guidance that if communities have done a point in time count and Unsheltered Point in time count in 2021, they can actually inform HUD and opt out of doing a point in time count this year. Which previous guidance had stated that this year was a mandatory year but given the increase in covid cases over the weekend sent out a communication that they have made a change in that guidance. So, at this point, the Southern Nevada homelessness COC we are postponing our count until the 24th of February. When it gets closer to that time, we will be reevaluating where we are with our covid infection rate, and determining whether we will be doing a full canvassing count, weather will be doing a sampling or whether our code infection rate is still hot, as high as it is, and whether we're actually going to cancel our account or not. So I'll keep everybody abreast on where we are as we get closer to that time. I just wanted folks to know where we are thank you.

**Chair McNeil:**

Thank you, Michelle and thank you for the update. Are there any further comments on it public comments agenda item VIII.?

**Greg Herrera:**

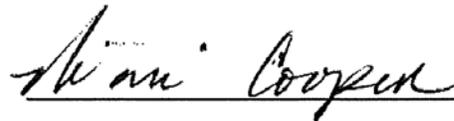
Greg Herrera for the record and thanks for that Michelle for Washoe County. The last I heard we were still go for the 27th of January. But that has not that has been something that's not been discussed. We too have a vast increase in our covid rates so I'll be reaching out to county management team to find out if that's going to affect our point in time count as well and I'll uh report back uh so everybody knows as soon as possible, but uh lasted I had heard as recently as Monday, yesterday that we were still ago for the end of January.

**Chair McNeil:**

If there are no other public comments, this meeting is adjourned.

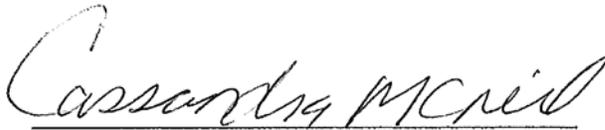
**Adjourned 2:13 p.m.**

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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Niani Cooper, Committee Moderator

APPROVED BY:

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Cassandra McNeil, Chair

Date: January 14, 2022