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HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY COMMISSION
Minutes of Regular Meeting
May 18, 2015

Commissioners Present: Karen Roy Guglielmi, Terilyn Rogers, James Purnell, Bill Campbell, Charita Alston
Commissioners Absent: Michael Winkler
Public Present: Bryan Flint, Cornerstone Shelter
Staff Liaison Present: Christi McFatter, VSS

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Approval of Minutes

Regular meeting of 4/20/15 minutes approved unanimously

Correspondence & Communications

Journal Inquirer article on closing of Tri Town Shelter

Update on Shelter Closings

- Members discussed the possible closing of Tri Town Shelter and the confirmed closing of the MACC Shelter
- Brian Flint explained the changes to the shelter system brought about by the Housing First directives as they applied to the MACC Shelter
- Commissioners wanted more information on Tri Town Shelter and what they plan to do when their current grant runs out. Karen agreed to contact the shelter director and hopefully invite him to the next Commission meeting.
- Members discussed the difficulties surrounding homelessness and the Commission's limited ability to address this issue

Update on Human Services Budget

- Members agreed that inviting agencies to present to the Commission would be beneficial, starting with Tri Town Shelter and including other agencies that had recently replaced their directors. Agreed on Tri Town Shelter (June), Sexual Assault Crisis Center (July), KIDSAFE (August), Community Child Guidance (September).
- Regarding moving the budget process to September, Karen agreed to approach the Mayor as his designee. She will not be available to do this immediately but will follow up.

Next regular meeting: Monday, June 15, 2015

Submitted by Christi McFatter