

TRACY HOMELESSNESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

April 21, 2022, 7:00 p.m.

Tracy City Hall, 333 Civic Center Plaza, Tracy

1. CALL TO ORDER – Council Member Arriola called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM
2. ROLL CALL – Roll call found Council Members Arriola and Davis present.
3. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE – There were no public comments.
4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 4A. ADOPTION OF FEBRUARY 17, 2022 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES – Minutes were adopted

**ACTION:** Motion was made by Council Member Davis and seconded by Council Member Arriola to adopt the February 17, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes. Motion found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

- 4B. TEMPORARY WARMING CENTER UPDATE

Vanessa Carrera, Assistant to the City Manager provided the staff report. Bubba Paris, Executive Director for Tracy Community Connections Center (TCCC) provided operational information pertaining to the warming center operations and service demographics, including budget expenditures. Both responded to questions.

Council Member Davis thanked TCCC for their outstanding contribution in the running of the warming center.

Mary Dokes from TCCC, shared success stories of some of the clients that received case management services during their stay at the warming center.

Chief Sekou Millington shared that he is proud of the partnerships that have been established and the services that were provided at the warming center for the unsheltered citizens.

There were no committee comments.

- 4C. TEMPORARY EMERGENCY HOUSING FACILITY CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Vanessa Carrera, Assistant to the City Manager and Ilene Macintire, Senior Civil Engineer, provided the staff report and responded to questions.

Jenny Wood thanked TCCC and the City for all the hard work and asked what citizens can do to get involved and help support this project. Midori Lichtwardt, Assistant City Manager explained that there are many moving parts at this time but that the most important contribution that the community can make is to

participate in the council meetings and the Tracy Homeless Advisory Committee meetings.

Cynthia Camacho asked is all the permits are through the City and asked why things are bogged down. Ilene Macintire clarified that permits are not only from the City of Tracy but also from several agencies such as South County Fire, San Joaquin Valley Air District and San Joaquin County and once the kitchen is ready to go in there will be additional permits needed from San Joaquin County Environmental Health.

Council Member Davis expressed appreciation to the staff and community members willing to volunteer.

Council Member Arriola thanked staff for all their hard work and efforts. Shared that this is a community effort that takes partnerships with local organizations and community members to step up. The City is facilitating a plan that is going to change the environment for those that are facing homelessness.

4D. UPDATE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL STRATEGIC PLAN TO END AND PREVENT HOMELESSNESS

Vanessa Carrera, Assistant to the City Manager, Sekou Millington, Chief of Police, Miguel Contreras, Police Lieutenant, Ana Contreras, Community Preservation Manager and, David Murphy, Public Works Superintendent provided the staff report.

Council Member Davis thanked staff, Police and Code Enforcement Departments on all their hard work. Shared that she understands the difficult work that the Police Department and Code Enforcement has at Pescadero Park. Expressed her pride in the progress that is being made by the Police Department, Code Enforcement and Public Works Departments.

Council Member Arriola asked staff questions and again thanked staff for all the behind the scene efforts that have taken place. Thank Police, Code Enforcement and Public Works for all they are doing in working cohesively. Chief Millington also mentioned that the Fire Department has also been a key part of the team collaboration that has been taking place.

**ACTION:** Motion was made by Council Member Davis and seconded by Council Member Arriola to accept the Item 4 updates. Motion passed and so ordered.

4. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE – There was no public comment.
5. – STAFF ITEMS - City Manager, Michael Rogers acknowledged Mr. Bubba Paris and TCCC for the work that has been done in taking care of the unsheltered population and they services that they received through the warming center. Mr. Rogers also thanked the City staff and team that is working hard to achieve the goals of the strategic priorities and shared that homelessness will be addressed as a core function of the City and called upon the community and the council for assistance in this endeavor.

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS AND COMMENTS – Council Member Davis thanked everyone in attendance, Mr. Bubba Paris and TCCC on their work in the warming center. Shared her gratitude toward staff, Police, Public Works, and Code Enforcement for all their hard work.

Council Member Arriola echoed Council Member Davis' sentiments and thanked those in attendance for taking the time to attend the meeting. Council Member Arriola asked for more information regarding a transition plan that will clarify the park to shelter plan with the Familiar Faces Program, this item was seconded by Council Member Davis.

7. ADJOURNMENT – Time: 8:13 p.m.

**ACTION:** Motion was made by Council Member Davis and seconded by Council Member Arriola to adjourn. Motion found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

The agenda was posted at City Hall on April 15, 2022. The above are action minutes.

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Chairperson

ATTEST:

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Deputy City Clerk