

MINUTES
Human Services Advisory Council
City of Falls Church

PURPOSE OF MEETING: To advise City Council on human services delivery to Falls Church citizens.

DATE OF MEETING: **May 19, 2016**

PLACE OF MEETING: Oak Room, 3rd floor East, City Hall

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY: Craig Cheney, Chair at 6:30 p.m.

THOSE PRESENT:

<p><i>HSAC Members:</i> Craig Cheney Alisa Macht Anne Norloff</p>	<p><i>Staff:</i> Nancy Vincent Sue Richter</p> <p><i>City Council Liaison</i> Marybeth Connolly</p>
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OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Laura Hicks, Nicole Newman, Debra Roth

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- February 18, 2016 minutes approved

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Miller House update:** Community Residences, Inc was chosen to construct and operate the Miller House for persons with disabilities. The City is negotiating a Comprehensive Agreement with Community Residences.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **FY 2016 Rent Relief approval:** Ms. Richter requested approval of eligible applicants to the City’s Rent Relief Program. Members voted unanimous approval. Members asked that staff provide information about comparable programs in neighboring jurisdictions for next month’s meeting.
- **Procedures for remote participation of members at Human Services Advisory Council meetings:** The City Attorney has developed procedures for remote participation of members for meetings. The procedures were reviewed and adopted by unanimous vote. See attached.
- **Walk signal at Annandale and Maple:** Ms. Newman requested that a walk signal be installed at Annandale and Maple. This intersection is particularly difficult to cross for visually impaired employees of a nearby business. Ms. Vincent agreed to take the request to the Department of Public Works.
- **Affordable Housing Policy:** Mr. Cheney requested that the Chair of the Housing Commission and City’s Housing staff attend a future meeting to give an update on the policy.

- **HSAC membership:** Members requested that staff explore the possibility of increasing the number of allowable members from five to “up to seven.” Ms. Vincent and Ms. Connolly agreed to explore the possibility.
- **Streetscape Advisory Committee:** Ms. Connolly asked if any of the members would be interested in serving on an ad hoc Streetscape Advisory Committee. Ms. Norloff volunteered.

STAFF REPORT:

- A community visioning session will be held Saturday, June 18 from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. at the Falls Church Episcopal Church to get input into the development of the first chapter of the City’s Comprehensive Plan.
- A Senior Forum was held on May 17 to provide information on a variety of issues of importance to seniors. The event was successful with approximately 45 attendees.
- The City is proposing changes to the Child Care ordinance in order to adopt changes made at the State. Home day care providers will be required to secure a State license when caring for more than four children. The current ordinance requires a State license when caring for more than five children.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m. The next meeting will be rescheduled to Thursday, June 23, 2016.

SIGNATURE OF RECORDER: Nancy Vincent

Attachment

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