



CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE

Community Advisory Board on Homelessness  
**February 28, 2019 at 12:00 p.m.**  
Council Chamber

**DRAFT MINUTES**

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Minutes of a meeting held on Thursday, February 28, 2019 at 12:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers. The following Committee members were in attendance:

Present: Councillor S. Smith, Chair,  
B. Denning,  
D. Dolynny, and  
I. Notley.

The following committee members were in attendance via conference phone:  
D. McKee.

The following representatives of the Federal Government were in attendance:  
R. Kelly.

The following representatives of the Federal Government were in attendance via conference phone:  
D. Meilleur.

The following representatives of the public were in attendance:  
T. Hawker, Native Women's Society of the NWT,  
S. Montreuil, NWT Senior's Society, and  
C. Sanders, GNWT representative.

The following members of the Administration staff were in attendance:  
G. White,  
H. Ferris,  
M. Mercredi, and  
C. Kida.

**Call to Order**

1. The meeting was called to order at 12:07 p.m.



### **Approval of Agenda**

2. Committee agreed unanimously to amend the agenda to change items i, ii and vi under item 5c. Additional Projects for Consideration to read:
  - i. Housing First instead of Housing First for Youth.
  - ii. Prevention/Rapid Rehousing instead of Prevention/Rapid Rehousing – Families and Adults.
  - vi. Administrative Expenses- Specialist, HIFIS Navigator is just administration expenses not a project for consideration.
3. B. Denning moved,  
D. Dolynny seconded,

**That the Agenda be approved as amended.**

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

4. There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

### **Homelessness Partnering Strategy (HPS) Funding – 2018/2019**

5. A discussion took place regarding 2018/2019 HPS Funding. Committee noted that all funding has been allocated; however, it would be beneficial to ensure no funds go unexpended during the fiscal year. Committee further noted that any unexpended funds may only be allocated to past or current projects.
6. I. Notley declared a conflict of interest and excused herself from the meeting.
7. S. Smith moved,  
D. McKee seconded,

**Committee recommends that Council allocate any unexpected Homelessness Partnering Strategy funds as of March 31, 2019, to a maximum of \$15,000, be re-allocated to the Side Door Hopes Haven Capital Project.**

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

8. I. Notley returned to the meeting.

### **Reaching Home Funding Update**

9. a. *Federal Government Directives / Priorities*  
Administration noted that, with Council's endorsement, Administration applied for \$1.145M for a one-year extension of the Reaching Home Funding. Administration further noted that the Federal Government has accepted the application and the contract will be signed prior to the end of March. The Federal Government is changing the directives and



priorities for the Reaching Home Funding. At this point the directives and priorities are being finalized that's one of the reasons why the funding has been extended for one more year.

*b. Discussion – Renewal of Current CAB Projects for 2019/2020*

Administration advised that the Reaching Home funding is being provided with the expectation of the continuance of services going forward in 2019-2020 and that the Federal Government is currently finalizing the funding Directives for the new Reaching Home funding program. To ensure there are no gaps in the services being funded, it is strongly recommended that the following current projects be continued:

- Yellowknife Housing First,
- Prevention / Rapid Re-Housing,
- Housing First for Families,
- CAB Homelessness Training, and
- Youth Housing: Hope's Haven.

10. B. Denning and I. Notley declared conflicts of interest and excused themselves from the meeting.
11. S. Smith moved,  
D. McKee seconded,

**Committee recommends that, in order to continue the current services, Council resolves to continue funding the current services for 2019/2020 as follows:**

<b>YK Housing First</b>	<b>\$306,000;</b>
<b>Prevention/Rapid Rehousing</b>	<b>\$166,668;</b>
<b>Housing First for Families</b>	<b>\$180,000;</b>
<b>CAB Homelessness Training</b>	<b>\$40,000;</b>
<b>Youth: Hope's Haven</b>	<b>\$54,000.</b>

**MOTION CARRIED  
(D. Dolynny opposed)**

12. B. Denning and I. Notley returned to the meeting.
13. Committee continued its discussion regarding continuation of CAB projects.

*c. Additional Projects for Consideration*

Administration noted that the additional listed projects are for consideration only. Once the Federal Government finalizes the directives and priorities for the Reaching Home funding more discussion will take place in order to decide where the remaining fund will be spent in 2019/2020. The projects for consideration are:

- Housing First,



- Prevention/Rapid Rehousing,
- Transitional/Supportive Housing,
- Community Outreach Worker, and
- HIFIS/VAT/SPADAT Training.

Administration advised that Kim Barthel is coming to Yellowknife in August to give a workshop to Northwest Territories/Nunavut Council of Friendship Centres and noted that the CAB could potentially cost share and have Ms. Barthel facilitate a workshop on Interagency Community of Practice.

14. B. Denning moved,  
I. Notley seconded,

**Committee recommends that Council approve an expenditure of \$10,000 to partner with the Northwest Territories/Nunavut Council of Friendship Centres to bring Kim Barthel to Yellowknife in August to facilitate a workshop on Interagency Community of Practice.**

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Upcoming CAB Training**

15. Administration noted that the following training will take place in Yellowknife in March:

- Creating Safe, Inclusive and Affirming Environments for LGBTQ2S Homelessness Youth. On March 5, 2019 at City Hall. There are 10 spaces available.
- Indigenous Homelessness Training. On March 11 and 12 at UNW meeting room. There are 5 spaces available.

**Next Meeting**

16. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 12, 2019 from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the City Hall upstairs boardroom.

**Adjournment**

17. The meeting was adjourned at 1:25 p.m.