



CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE

Community Advisory Board on Homelessness

June 26, 2019 at 5:15 p.m.

Upstairs Boardroom

MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting held on Wednesday, June 26, 2019 at 5:15 p.m. in the Upstairs Boardroom. The following Committee members were in attendance:

Present: Councillor S. Smith, Chair,
Mayor R. Alty, ex officio,
B. Denning,
D. Dolynny,
G. Leonardis,
D. Prince, and
H. Dumbuya-Sesay.

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 advisory members were in attendance:

R. Lau-a, NWT Housing Corporation, and
K. Sue Derejko, Manager of the Department of Justice
Integrated Case Management.

The following members of the Administration staff were in attendance:

G. White,
H. Ferris, and
C. Kida.

Call to Order

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:20 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

2. Committee agreed to amend the agenda to defer item 4 – Approval of CAB Minutes – June 12, 2019 to the next meeting.



3. Mayor R. Alty moved,
D. Dolynny seconded,

That the Agenda be approved as amended.

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Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

4. There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

Update on Reaching Home Funding

5. Administration noted that, as previously announced, the Federal Government has confirmed that the City of Yellowknife will be the Community Entity until the end of the Reaching Home program in 2024. The five year agreement stipulates \$1,145,590.00 funding for each year. Administration further noted that the Community Entity was granted an additional funding for the Community Capacity and Innovation (CCI) funding designed to support investments towards the design and implementation of Coordinated Access. The CCI funds will be distributed as follows:
 - a. 2019/2020 - \$71,180.00
 - b. 2020/2021 - \$61,180.00
 - c. 2021/2022 - \$61,180.00
 - d. 2022/2023 - \$56,680.00
 - e. 2023/2024 - \$56,680.00

Administration further noted that for the 2019/2020 fiscal year the Reaching Home program currently has \$311,920.00 of unallocated funds that need to be spent by March 31, 2020.

Discuss Reaching Home Community Plan

6. Administration noted that a handout was given to members in the last meeting showing some options of projects based on the Reaching Home Directives. The projects presented were:
 - a. Community Capacity Building,
 - b. Indigenous Healing Services,
 - c. Indigenous Case Management Services,
 - d. Yellowknife Coordinated Access Plan,
 - e. 2020 PiT Count Coordination and Coordinated Access Assistant,
 - f. 2020 PiT Count,
 - g. Transitional Housing, and
 - h. Permanent Support Housing,

Administration requested that Committee reviewed the suggested projects and reached out to other organizations in their sector to find out the need of services and projects in the community. Some of the suggested ideas are to fund:



- a. The remaining month that Side Door wasn't funded in the fiscal year 2019/2020 about \$15,152.00,
- b. Hopes Haven mortgage about \$115,000.00
- c. A Housing First navigator,
- d. Transitional/permanent housing,
- e. Create skills development programs,
- f. The new building upgrades for YWCA transitional housing,
- g. A person with lived and street experience to assist with connecting people to services,
- h. A street level Coordinated Access Centre to help with resumes, counseling and coordinated services, and Create more resources to help people with addictions and mental health
- i. Create an Indigenous Case Management Program run by an indigenous organization.

Committee discussed the 2020 PiT Count and decided that Administration would touch base with the Bureau of Statistics to work with them in order to minimize costs. Committee further decided that the CCI minimum funding of 6% should be used towards the 2020 PiT Count.

7. H. Dumbuya-Sesay moved,
B. Denning seconded,

That up to \$65,000.00 be spent on a Housing First Navigator geared towards youth and families and that up to \$57,385.00 to be spent on a Housing First Navigator.

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8. B. Denning moved,
H. Dumbuya-Sesay seconded,

That the investment plan for the Community plan be in accordance with the suggested percentages:

**50% Housing Services
15% Prevention and Shelter Diversion
10% Support Services
6% Capital Investments
6% Coordinated Access
13% Administration**



Further, the following projects were chosen and costs allocated to the following:

2019/2020 Projects to be funded		\$ 311,921.90
Housing First Youth Navigator	Housing Services	\$65,000
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Prevention/ Rapid Rehousing	Prevention/Diversion	\$15,848
Indigenous Healing Services/Case Management	Support Services	\$ 121,677.00
2020 PIT Count	Coordination of Resources	\$33,000
Capital Investments	Capital Investment	\$ 19,006.20
		\$311,921

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9. D. Prince moved,
B. Denning seconded,

That administration be directed to issue a request for proposal (RPF) to secure the services of a qualified service provider for the purpose of Indigenous Case Management Services with Indigenous Healing Services component. Further that the service provider includes a team member that has lived experience.

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Next CAB Meeting

10. The next meeting is scheduled on Tuesday, July 16, 2019 from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the City Hall upstairs boardroom.

Adjournment

11. The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Prepared: June 27, 2019 GW/ck