



Human Services Commission Agenda

Commissioner: Zenovia Harris - Chair, Rickie Robinson – Co-Chair

**June 20, 2019
3 p.m.**

<u>Item</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Page</u>
1.	Call to order		Zenovia Harris, Chair	1	
2.	Roll Call		Zenovia Harris, Chair	1	
3.	Changes to the Agenda		Zenovia Harris, Chair	1	
4.	Approval of May 16, 2019 Minutes	Yes	Zenovia Harris, Chair	5	
5.	Public Comment	No		15	
6.	Parallel Application Evaluation	No	Judy de Barros	30	
7.	Strategy Development <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Engagement Debrief• Timeline	No	Lori Guilfoyle	15	
8.	Updates/Announcements	No	Staff	15	
9.	Adjourn	No	Zenovia Harris	1	

Unless otherwise noted, the Human Services Commission meets at 3 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month in Kent Centennial Center, Mountain View Conference Room #401, 400 West Gowe St. Kent, WA 98032.

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Date: May 16, 2019

Time: 3 p.m.

Place: Kent Centennial Center, Mountain View Conference Room #401

Agenda:

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Rickie Robinson, Co-Chair
Gina Bellisario, Commissioner
Mike Heinisch, Commissioner
Selamavit Demssie, Commissioner
Bill Hallerman, Commissioner
Connie Stolpp, Commissioner Alternate
Merina Hanson, Human Services Manager
Lori Guilfoyle, Coordinator
Dinah Wilson, CDBG Coordinator
Christine Cain, Coordinator

Absent:

Zenovia Harris, Chair
Sara Roach, Commissioner
Andy Rosas, Commissioner
Dennis Higgins, Council Member
Vacant, Student Commissioner

3. Changes to the Agenda

There are no changes to the agenda.

4. Approval of March 21 & April 18, 2019 Minutes

Commissioner Bellisario **MOVED** to approve the minutes from March 21, 2019, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Hallerman. Commissioner Robinson abstained. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 5-0.

Commissioner Demssie **MOVED** to approve the minutes from April 18, 2019, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Heinisch. Commissioner Robinson abstained. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 5-0.

5. Public Comment

No public comment was made.

6. Nonprofit Landscape (Lori Guilfoyle/Jody Nishioka - Wayfind)

Human Services Coordinator, Lori Guilfoyle, presented on the current Human Services and Community Block Grant Plan vision and goals. Staff and

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Commissioners will look at the City vision, mission, and goals at the July meeting and review alignment with Human Services plan vision and goals for the plan under development. The Human Services Master Plan, CDBG Consolidated Plan, and CDBG Annual Action Plan are the guiding documents that will feed into the Housing and Human Services element of the City Comprehensive Plan. Planning for the new City Comprehensive Plan will begin next year and be approved in 2022.

For the Plan development, staff are gathering data and doing community outreach including focus groups, surveys and outreach at existing meetings. Specific outreach is being made to Hispanic speaking individuals, LGBTQI groups, and families with small children. A consultant will be hired to interview elected officials and businesses including the Kent Chamber of Commerce, Kent Downtown Partnership, and Kent Station.

Jody Nishioka, Executive Director of Wayfind-NAC, provided information related to the Plan priority – Improving and integrating systems. Wayfind and NAC have recently merged, and Jodi is the ED of the newly created organization. Wayfind-NAC provide services to promote social welfare by fostering movements to build power in communities impacted by systemic oppression through community partnerships, capacity building, and legal services for community organizations and microenterprises.

Jodi gave an overview of the capacity issues for small non-profits and identified leadership development, non-profit compliance and sustainability as top issues to strengthen non-profits. Jodi recognized community-based non-profits are not well connected and said KCDIG has been a good place for non-profits to connect. Commissioners added ideas around “growth by leverage” and financial health.

7. Hepatitis A Update (Christine Cain)

Human Services Coordinator, Christine Cain, shared information on the confirmed hepatitis A case of a man who is currently experiencing homelessness. Information provided at an April 25 conference call directed participants, providers, and anyone experiencing homelessness to consider vaccination. Hepatitis A has a high rate of transmission and can survive on surfaces for up to one month, posing concern for providers serving individuals in communal settings. Healthcare for the Homeless and King County Public Health are offering free vaccinations at clinics across the county. More information and fliers can be found at <https://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/health/communicable-diseases/disease-control/hepatitis-A.aspx>.

8. Updates/Announcements

- During the January 2019 annual Count Us In Point in Time Count, volunteers counted 11,199 homeless individuals in King County. Preliminary numbers indicate a decrease in the total number of homeless. The number of

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unsheltered individuals decreased where the number of sheltered increased, indicating an increase in the number of individuals and families accessing services. The full report detailing sub regional and completed survey results is expected to be released at the end of May.

8. Adjournment

At 4:20 p.m. Commissioner Robison declared the meeting adjourned.

Christine Cain
Recording Secretary
May 16, 2019