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Homelessness Task Force **Regular Meeting Agenda**

(to be held during COVID-19 emergency)

Tuesday, February 15, 2022

2:00 P.M.

Various Teleconference Locations

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Call to Order

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

Report on Posting of Agenda – February 10, 2022

1. Ceremonial / Presentations

None.

2. Written and Oral Communications from the Public and Task Force Members

- A. Communications from the Public concerning matters which are not on the agenda but for which the Task Force has subject matter jurisdiction. The Task Force may not act on these matters at this meeting.
- B. Staff updates.
- C. Task Force Member and Ad Hoc Committee reports, comments, and inquiries.

3. Consent Calendar

- A. Previously Discussed Items
None.

- B. New Items

- 1. Approval of Minutes – February 1, 2022

Recommended Action: Approve minutes for the Homelessness Task Force Special meeting of February 1, 2022.

Staff Contact: Executive Assistant Linden, 456-2489, ext. 232

4. Old Business

None.

5. New Business

- A. Los Angeles County Homeless Initiative and Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) Presentation

Recommended Action: Receive and file a presentation from representatives of the Los Angeles County Homeless Initiative and the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) regarding financial and technical assistance that is available.

Staff Contact: Public Safety Manager Dueñas, 456-2489, ext. 313

- B. The People Concern

Recommended Action: Receive and file a presentation from The People Concern (TPC) and provide feedback regarding services it provides to individuals experiencing homelessness in Malibu.

Staff Contact: Public Safety Liaison Flores, 456-2489, ext. 236

- C. Future Agenda Items

Recommended Action: Review items tentatively scheduled for upcoming meeting agendas and provide feedback to staff.

Staff Contact: Public Safety Manager Dueñas, 456-2489, ext. 313

Adjournment

Future Meetings

Tuesday, March 15, 2022	2:00 p.m.	Regular Meeting	Location to be determined
Tuesday, April 19, 2022	2:00 p.m.	Regular Meeting	Location to be determined
Tuesday, May 17, 2022	2:00 p.m.	Regular Meeting	Location to be determined

Guide to the City Task Force Proceedings

As a result of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the City is under a state of local emergency, as well as states of emergency that have been declared in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, and a federal emergency declared by the President of the United States. In order to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19, the Homelessness Task Force meeting will be open and public but conducted virtually because meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees. This way the public, the staff, and the Task Force will not be physically in the same place.

The Oral Communication portion of the agenda is for members of the public to present items which are not listed on the agenda but are under the subject matter jurisdiction of the Task Force. Although no action may be taken, the Task Force and staff will follow up, at an appropriate time, on those items needing response. Each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes. Members of the public wishing to speak during the meeting must participate through the Zoom application. You must first sign up to speak before the item you would like to speak on has been called by the Chair and then you must be present in the Zoom conference to be recognized. Please visit <https://MalibuCity.org/VirtualMeeting> and follow the directions for signing up to speak and downloading the Zoom application.

Items in Consent Calendar Section A have already been considered by the Task Force at a previous meeting where the public was invited to comment, after which a decision was made. These items are not subject to public discussion at this meeting because the vote taken at the previous meeting was final. Resolutions concerning decisions made at previous meetings are for the purpose of memorializing the decision to assure the accuracy of the findings, the prior vote, and any conditions imposed.

Items in Consent Calendar Section B have not been discussed previously by the Task Force. If discussion is desired, an item may be removed from the Consent Calendar for individual consideration. Task Force Members may indicate a negative or abstaining vote on any individual item by so declaring prior to the vote on the motion to adopt the entire Consent Calendar. Items excluded from the Consent Calendar will be taken up by the Task Force following the action on the Consent Calendar. The Task Force first will take up the items for which public speaker requests have been submitted. Public speakers shall follow the rules as set forth under Oral Communication.

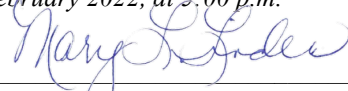
Old Business items have appeared on previous agendas but have either been continued or tabled to this meeting with no final action having been taken. Public comment shall follow the rules as set forth under Oral Communication.

Items in New Business are items which are appearing for the first time for formal action. Public comment shall follow the rules as set forth under Oral Communication.

Copies of the staff reports or other written documentation relating to each item of business described above are on file in the Public Safety office, and available upon request by emailing MLinden@MalibuCity.org.

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I hereby certify under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing agenda was posted in accordance with the applicable legal requirements. Dated this 10th day of February 2022, at 5:00 p.m.



Mary Linden, Executive Assistant



Homelessness Task Force Agenda Report

To: Chair Roven and Members of the Homelessness Task Force

Prepared by: Mary Linden, Executive Assistant

Approved by: Steve McClary, Interim City Manager

Date prepared: February 3, 2022 Meeting date: February 15, 2022

Subject: Approval of Minutes – February 1, 2022

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve minutes for the Homelessness Task Force Special meeting of February 1, 2022.

DISCUSSION: Staff has prepared draft minutes for the Homelessness Task Force February 1, 2022 Special meeting and hereby submits the minutes to the Task Force for approval.

ATTACHMENTS: Draft February 1, 2022 Homelessness Task Force Special Meeting Minutes

MINUTES
MALIBU HOMELESSNESS TASK FORCE
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 18, 2022
TELECONFERENCED – VARIOUS LOCATIONS
2:00 P.M.

The following meeting was held pursuant to AB 361 and fully teleconferenced from various locations during the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Roven called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The following persons were recorded in attendance via teleconference by the Recording Secretary:

PRESENT: Chair Ian Roven; Vice Chair Bill Winokur; and Task Force Members Deborah Benton, Wayne Cohen, Paul Davis, Terry Davis, Scott Dittrich, Chris Frost, Kelly Pessis, and Bill Sampson

ALSO PRESENT: Susan Dueñas, Public Safety Manager; Luis Flores, Public Safety Liaison; Parker Davis, Media Technician; and Mary Linden, Executive Assistant

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Roven led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION Task Force Member Terry Davis moved, and Task Force Member Frost seconded a motion to approve the agenda. The question was called, and the motion carried unanimously.

REPORT ON POSTING OF AGENDA

Executive Assistant Linden reported that the agenda for the meeting was properly posted on January 13, 2022.

ITEM 1 CEREMONIAL/PRESENTATIONS

None.

ITEM 2.A. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ITEM 2.B. STAFF UPDATES

Public Safety Manager Dueñas announced the County’s Homeless Count was postponed to February 23. She stated pallet shelter shelters in Redondo Beach were recently visited.

Public Safety Manager Dueñas discussed the impacts of staff turnover during the past few months at The People Concern. She stated they were in the process of hiring a new outreach worker and housing navigator.

Public Safety Liaison Flores stated The People Concern was working around staffing issues and pandemic impacts. He stated City staff worked closely with them to make sure contracted services were provided. He invited Task Force members to join him and members of the Homelessness Working Group on a visit to see a Baldwin Park pallet shelter site this Thursday.

Public Safety Manager Dueñas discussed lessons learned by observing the pallet shelter sites. Public Safety Liaison Flores stated the cities visited had been very helpful in providing information and offering future assistance.

Public Safety Manager Dueñas stated she recently met with the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) and County Supervisor’s office. She stated they expressed interest in partnering with the City on any strategy the City chooses.

ITEM 2.C. TASK FORCE MEMBER COMMENTS

Task Force Member Terry Davis encouraged all Task Force members to join one of the upcoming pallet shelter site visits to learn more about various types of housing.

ITEM 3 CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION Chair Roven moved, and Task Force Member Dittrich seconded a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. The question was called, and the motion carried unanimously.

The Consent Calendar consisted of the following items:

- A. Previously Discussed Items
None.
- B. New Items
 - 1. Approval of Minutes – December 21, 2021
Staff recommendation: Approve minutes of the Homelessness Task Force Regular meeting of December 21, 2021.

ITEM 4 OLD BUSINESS

None.

ITEM 5 NEW BUSINESS

A. Alternative Sleeping Locations (ASL) Recommendations

Recommended Action: 1) Review the ASL Recommended Action Plan prepared by the Emergency and Temporary Services Ad Hoc Committee and provide edits, if appropriate; and 2) Approve the ASL Recommended Action Plan for submittal to the City Council.

Vice Chair Winokur presented the report. He stated the Emergency and Temporary Services Ad Hoc Committee (Committee) recommended the City take steps to provide an ASL, with the priority that it be located outside the City. He stated an ASL in Malibu was only a backup plan if one outside the City was not possible or would not allow the City to enforce its ordinances. He discussed potential services that could be included with an emergency bed. He stated providing services would help reduce the number of homeless. He stated the Committee suggested the City consider either a modular/cellular approach or a single facility.

Task Force Member Pessis provided a presentation summarizing location and management issues she had studied and detailed the modularized housing concept.

Task Force Member Paul Davis commended the members of the Committee for their contributions and open mindedness during this process. He stated presenting two options, single unit or modular would give the Council the opportunity to determine which was more appropriate and easier to establish in or near Malibu. He stated the single-unit approach was implemented in Laguna Beach. He agreed with Vice Chair Winokur about the importance of adding transitional services. He stated having someone who cares, a purpose in life, and whole education, including life skills, personal management skills, and financial skills, were key human needs. He stated the ultimate goal was to place them in more permanent housing as quickly as possible.

Vice Chair Winokur stated the decision to recommend establishing an ASL was based on input from many sources about what was needed to mitigate homelessness and enforce ordinances.

Task Force Member Sampson expressed opposition to establishing an ASL. He stated the City should avoid supposed requirements of *Martin v. Boise*. He stated it was a substantial commitment to solve a problem the City did not create.

Task Force Member Cohen stated some Task Force Members may be unsure about their support for an ASL without additional information.

Task Force Member Dittrich thanked the Committee for its report. He stated he would not support an ASL located in Malibu.

Vice Chair Winokur reiterated that the primary objective would be to establish the ASL outside the City with a location inside the city limits considered only as a backup if the outside location was deemed impossible.

Task Force Member Sampson stated he would never support an ASL located in Malibu.

Task Force Member Dittrich expressed support for an ASL outside the city limits and adjacent to needed services.

Task Force Member Frost stated the proposed plan was very complete. He stated the options should be presented to law enforcement for input. He stated the 20-mile distance from a Sheriff's station was too far.

Vice Chair Winokur stated the plan included a recommendation of vetting the details with the Sheriff's Department.

Task Force Member Pessis confirmed the distance recommended was 20 miles from either the Lost Hills Station or the new Sheriff's Substation in Malibu.

Task Force Member Paul Davis stated services offered would be addressed in cooperation with service providers.

Vice Chair Winokur explained transitional services would require individuals to follow established rules and participate in what was necessary to move toward more permanent housing.

Task Force Member Pessis stated the ASL would provide a location where it was easier for outreach workers to provide services currently offered in the field.

Task Force Member Dittrich stated the main safety goal was to allow enforcement of the City's no camping ordinances. He suggested starting with a three-day maximum stay.

Vice Chair Winokur stated transitional services would be provided with emergency beds or transitional beds.

Task Force Member Terry Davis stated LASD Captain Becerra advised that he could begin enforcement if he had beds. She stated the outreach workers told her there were 25 individuals ready to begin transitioning if they had somewhere to stay. She stated outreach workers were better able to do their work if they knew where people would be.

In response to Vice Chair Winokur, no Task Force Members expressed opposition to providing transitional services along with the emergency beds.

In response to Task Force Member Frost, Public Safety Manager Dueñas stated there was no formula used by all agencies in determining the best number of beds for homeless populations.

Task Force Member Paul Davis stated the Committee considered input that indicated how many of Malibu's homeless population would be willing to work with the workers as opposed to those who would not.

Task Force Member Pessis discussed the County of Los Angeles budget and number of beds it provided.

In response to Task Force Member Dittrich, Task Force Member Paul Davis discussed staffing in Laguna Beach for its 40-person ASL. Task Force Member Pessis added that there were two staff onsite at all times in Laguna Beach.

In response to Task Force Member Frost, Task Force Member Pessis discussed zoning requirements for an ASL, including a duplex or property with an accessory dwelling unit (ADU).

In response to Task Force Member Cohen, Task Force Member Pessis stated an ASL would not be a short-term rental. Task Force Member Cohen suggested the housed individuals would be establishing tenancy.

Task Force Member Paul Davis stated tenancy was discussed by the Committee but would be left to the City Council to resolve when choosing which option it may implement.

Task Force Member Cohen suggested the tenancy issue be reviewed by this Task Force before submitting the recommendation to the City Council.

Chair Roven and Vice Chair Winokur agreed with Task Force Member Cohen that the issue should be vetted prior to making a recommendation to the Council.

Public Safety Manager Dueñas stated any legal issues had to be vetted by the City Attorney.

Task Force Member Dittrich stated an ASL would fall under disability regulations, not short-term rental regulations.

Task Force Member Terry Davis agreed with Task Force Member Dittrich. She stated she and Task Force Member Pessis were going to meet with someone who had experience related to those regulations.

MOTION Task Force Member Paul Davis moved, and Task Force Member Terry Davis seconded a motion to approve the ASL Recommended Action Plan prepared by the Emergency and Temporary Services Ad Hoc Committee for submittal to the City Council.

Task Force Member Cohen suggested not voting on the plan until the outstanding issues were discussed.

Task Force Member Dittrich requested the recommendation to Council include that there were objections within the Task Force to an ASL within the city limits.

Public Safety Manager Dueñas suggested the City Attorney be asked to review the recommendation before it was approved for presentation to the City Council.

Vice Chair Winokur suggested the motion be withdrawn, so the Plan could be reviewed by the City Attorney and brought back to the Task Force at a Special meeting to be held prior to the next Regular meeting date.

Task Force Member Pessis stated she would want to work on the language related to the backup option of an ASL in Malibu.

Task Force Member Cohen suggested the Legal Analysis Ad Hoc Committee review the document in addition to or with the City Attorney.

Task Force Member Paul Davis withdrew the motion.

MOTION Task Force Member Pessis moved, and Task Force Member Dittrich seconded a motion to refer review of the item to the Legal Analysis Ad Committee. The question was called, and the motion carried unanimously.

Chair Roven suggested a Special meeting be scheduled on February 1.

B. Future Agenda Items

Recommended Action: Review items tentatively scheduled for upcoming meeting agendas and provide feedback to staff.

Public Safety Manager Dueñas presented the report.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION At 4:02 p.m., Chair Roven adjourned the meeting.

Approved and adopted by the Homelessness Task Force of the City
of Malibu on February 1, 2022.

IAN ROVEN, Chair

ATTEST:

MARY LINDEN, Executive Assistant



Homelessness Task Force Agenda Report

To: Chair Roven and Members of the Homelessness Task Force

Prepared by: Susan Dueñas, Public Safety Manager

Approved by: Steve McClary, Interim City Manager

Date prepared: February 7, 2022 Meeting date: February 15, 2022

Subject: Los Angeles County Homeless Initiative and Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) Presentation

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive and file a presentation from representatives of the Los Angeles County Homeless Initiative and the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) regarding financial and technical assistance that is available.

TASK FORCE ASSIGNMENT: Review the concept, need and possible implementation of an Alternative Sleeping Location (ASL).

DISCUSSION: There are two key organizations in Los Angeles County that work to assist people experiencing homelessness: the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) and the Los Angeles County Homeless Initiative. LAHSA oversees the Continuum of Care, which is an integrated system of care that guides and tracks homeless individuals and families through a comprehensive array of housing and services. The Homeless Initiative is focused on overseeing Measure H funding and implementing a strategic plan.

LAHSA

In 1993, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and the City of Los Angeles Mayor and City Council created the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) as an independent, joint powers authority. LAHSA is the lead agency in the Los Angeles Continuum of Care, which is the regional planning body that coordinates housing and services for homeless families and individuals in Los Angeles County. LAHSA coordinates and manages over \$800 million annually in federal, state, county, and city funds for

programs that provide shelter, housing, and services to people experiencing homelessness.

LAHSA provides funding, program design, outcomes assessment, and technical assistance to more than 100 nonprofit partner agencies that assist people experiencing homelessness to achieve independence and stability in permanent housing. Additionally, LAHSA partners with both the city and county of Los Angeles to integrate services and housing opportunities to ensure wide distribution of service and housing options throughout the Los Angeles Continuum of Care.

The Homeless Initiative

In 2015, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors created the Los Angeles County Homeless Initiative in response to the growing homelessness crisis. In March 2017, voters resoundingly approved Measure H, a ¼ percent (0.25%) increase to the County's sales tax to provide an ongoing revenue stream (an estimated \$355 million per year for ten years) to fund services, rental subsidies and housing. It is designed to fund a comprehensive regional approach encompassing 21 interconnected strategies in six areas to combat homelessness:

- Prevent homelessness
- Subsidize housing
- Increase income
- Provide case management and services
- Create a coordinated system
- Increase affordable/homeless housing

The County's Chief Executive Office Homeless Initiative provides oversight and hands-on guidance to deploy the infusion of Measure H funds for services and programs and maximize the alignment and effectiveness of the funding. The City of Malibu has received two Measure H-funded grants, one in 2017 for the development of the Homelessness Strategic Plan and one in 2019 to cover the cost of a Housing Navigator contracted through The People Concern.

Both LAHSA and the Homeless Initiative are important partners for the implementation of any strategy to address issues related to people experiencing homelessness. LAHSA oversees the social service network that works to get people housed, and the Homeless Initiative, through Measure H, provides much of the funding. Therefore, it is important to fully understand the services that each provide as well as the power and limitations of each organization.

ATTACHMENTS: None.



Homelessness Task Force Agenda Report

To: Chair Roven and Members of the Homelessness Task Force

Prepared by: Luis Flores, Public Safety Liaison

Reviewed by: Susan Duenas, Public Safety Manager

Approved by: Steve McClary, Interim City Manager

Date prepared: February 8, 2022 Meeting date: February 15, 2022

Subject: The People Concern (TPC)

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive and file a presentation from The People Concern (TPC) and provide feedback regarding services it provides to individuals experiencing homelessness in Malibu.

TASK FORCE ASSIGNMENT: Review the concept, need and possible implementation of an Alternative Sleeping Location (ASL).

DISCUSSION: In 2016, the Malibu Task Force on Homelessness (MTFH) secured the first professional homeless outreach team as a pilot project. MTFH contracted with The People Concern (TPC) for a two-person outreach team. TPC is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization based in Santa Monica that provides comprehensive, coordinated services to homeless individuals throughout Los Angeles County. After two years of demonstrated success in the field, the City assumed responsibility for funding the contract with TPC in July 2018.

The City's initial contract with TPC included funding for two full-time outreach workers. The team locates, engages, and builds relationships with homeless individuals in order to connect them with a fully integrated system of care. This system includes mental and medical health care, substance abuse services, permanent supportive housing and, in some cases, reunification with family and loved ones.

In 2019, the City received a Measure H Planning Implementation grant to hire a full-time housing navigator to assist the outreach team. Measure H, approved by voters in Los Angeles County in 2017, is a one-quarter percent (0.25%) sales tax increase to provide an estimated \$355 million per year for ten years to fund services, rental subsidies, and housing for people experiencing homelessness. Funds are used to award grants to non-profit agencies and cities based on their point-in-time homeless count.

Housing navigators assist clients in developing a plan to address their barriers to housing, increase their income, and maintain and sustain permanent housing. Housing navigators also spend time building relationships with landlords and educating them regarding the housing voucher program, which is crucial to increasing available housing opportunities for those experiencing homelessness. When the Measure H Planning Implementation grant concluded in 2021, the City assumed the funding for the Housing Navigator as part of its contract with TPC.

TPC's Permanent Housing Services Department works collaboratively with case managers and housing navigators to match program participants with housing that will meet their specific needs. This can mean:

- Individual apartments
- An apartment or home through government-subsidized Housing Choice Vouchers
- Project-based housing where other previously homeless program participants live that includes onsite supportive services
- Shared housing in which several individuals share a large home
- "Board and care" for program participants who need additional support services
- Skilled nursing facilities for program participants who require advanced medical assistance
- Sober living programs
- Special housing programs for unique populations, such as veterans and/or seniors

In addition, TPC coordinates with Venice Family Clinic (VFC) to provide weekly medical check-ups for the City's homeless population. Assistance includes vaccinations, COVID-19 testing, medication, and medical assessments.

TPC is also actively involved with the Homelessness Working Group to provide updates on clients they are working with, as well as to obtain insight on areas to focus on from the community. As the current homeless service provider in Malibu, TPC is an important partner for the implementation of any strategy to address issues related to people experiencing homelessness. Therefore, it is important to fully understand the services that TPC provides, as well as obtain feedback from their experiences serving the City's homeless population.

ATTACHMENTS: None.



Homelessness Task Force Agenda Report

To: Chair Roven and Members of the Homelessness Task Force

Prepared by: Susan Dueñas, Public Safety Manager

Approved by: Steve McClary, Interim City Manager

Date prepared: February 3, 2022

Meeting date: February 15, 2022

Subject: Future Agenda Items

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Review items tentatively scheduled for upcoming meeting agendas and provide feedback to staff.

DISCUSSION: The following items are tentatively scheduled for upcoming meeting agendas:

- Initial report from the Strategic Plan Review Ad Hoc Committee
- Research strategies used by other jurisdictions, and identify best practices that could be implemented in Malibu
- Development of a robust public engagement and outreach plan to obtain community input
- Identify potential sites for an alternate sleep location (ASL) in Malibu

ATTACHMENTS: None.