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UNADOPTED MINUTES

Behavioral Health Commission Ad Hoc By Laws Committee Meeting Thursday, September 01, 2022 3:14 PM – 4:57 PM

CALLED TO ORDER: 3:14pm

ROLL CALL by BHC: Clerk Gray

COMMISSIONER'S PRESENT: Liza Murawski (she/her) Lisa Wynn, (she/her)

NON-VOTING COMMISSIONER'S PRESENT – none

COMMISSIONER'S ABSENT: Terezie (Terry) Bohrer, CLNC (excused), Kescha S. Mason (she/her), Balham Javier Vigil, Co-Chair (Them/they) (excused)

MEMBERS OF PUBLIC: None

STAFF: Amber Gray (DPH) (she/her)

QUORUM: Not Established

PUBLIC COMMENT: Winship Hillier Item is poorly labeled and he questioned the membership of this committee.

Agenda Changes: Meeting from last week was carried over to this week due to lack of quorum. There was also a medical emergency from the chair. The meeting from last week was postponed for today's meeting.

Item 1.0 a) The Co-Chairs will have the BHC Staff call attention to the updated remote meeting resolution California Government Code Section 54953(e) also known as AB361 which empowers local policy bodies to convene by teleconferencing technology during a proclaimed state of emergency under the State Emergency Services Act – see attached below [Action Item]

PUBLIC COMMENT Winship Hillier noted that he was shocked at comments made regarding us not needing Quorum for the Ad- Hoc Committee meetings. Without Quorum a single person could pass motions on behalf of the entire committee.

Motion to accept AB361 by Commissioner Murawski and second by Commissioner Wynn.

Role call Vote taken by Clerk Gray

Aye - Commissioner Murawski

Aye – Commissioner Wynn

Role Call passed unanimously:

2.0 Reviewing Recently passed bylaws

Discussion: Commissioner Murawski started by establishing the place we left off at the last weeks meeting to be Article 2 Authority, Powers and Duties page #11 of 29 pages. We reviewed Article 1-10 We review the purpose of the Behavioral Health Commission. We also wanted to add the Navigation Centers and shelters are doing post the pandemic/shelter in place. Commissioner Wynn agreed to send an abbreviated note to be distributed to the other members. The committee members reviewed and compared section #11 and section #13 of the Bylaws for similarities. The committee would like this section #11 and #13 to be reviewed by the city attorney. The establishment of the committee was set fourth by the committee. The Behavioral Health Commission would need 2/3rd of 17 to vote on the Bylaws. The passing of the minutes is based on present quorum to be adjusted to fit the current seats filled. The committee agreed to move forward with the necessary changes to the bylaws and to seek legal consultation from the city attorney whenever we are uncertain.

Changes to Bylaws and flags for the City Attorney to Review from the committee:

- Section #2 Taking out the word (May) and replacing it with an action word (Will)
- Item 4 flagged for review to be reviewed

- Section #10 Assess the impact of the realignment of services from the state to the city on Mental Health and other services and delivered to the clients in the community.

- Section #12 Work collaboratively with mental health Services and other interested groups on issues of mutual concern.

- Section #13 (note to check for duplicates subject matter)

- Article III –Membership Section Item #1 is being flagged for review by the committee

- Article III – Membership Section Item #2 The Behavioral Health shall ensure the composition of the Commission represents and reflects the diversity and demographics of the city as a whole, as well as the population being served by the Behavioral Health Services and Department of Public Health to the extent feasible.

- Article III – Membership Section Item #3 (flagged to be reviewed further)

- Article III – Membership Section Item #4 (flagged to be reviewed further by the city attorney)

- Article III – Membership Section Item #5 (flagged to be reviewed further by the city attorney)

- Article III – Membership Section Item #8 Administrator of a Hospital/hospice providing mental health services or of a community mental health facility.

- Article III – Membership Section Item #11 (flagged to be reviewed further by the city attorney)

PUBLIC COMMENT Wynship Hillier –Quorum issue. CALBHC is not an expert on the Brown Act. Ad Hoc committees are not covered by the Brown Act and everything must be approved the parenting body which is out of the executive committee for review. The Sunshine Act covers San Francisco.

PUBLIC COMMENT Winship Hillier Item 13 of Article 2 was duplicated by Article 2 Section 11. These sections are repetitive of local law. The Board of supervisor chapter 15 legislates the 17 seats in San Francisco & can't be changed.

PUBLIC COMMENT Winship Hillier Glade you stopped at eleven. He doesn't think we have the power to change it. (Note the repetitive in #7) Bylaws are repetitious of the law.

PUBLIC COMMENT Winship Hillier stated that should be in the executive committees hand. Also feels number 9 contradicts the state Law.

FINAL PUBLIC COMMENT None

Adjournment: 4:57pm

Minutes prepared by Clerk Gray