

Human Services Council Meeting
Wednesday, March 19, 2008
Government Center, Conference Rooms 2 & 3

MEMBER NAME		MEMBER NAME	
Kevin H. Bell, Chairman	<i>Excused</i>	Carol Hawn	<i>Present</i>
Colonel Marion Barnwell	<i>Present</i>	Bill Kogler	<i>Present</i>
Richard P. Berger	<i>Present</i>	Michael Kwon	<i>Excused</i>
John Byers	<i>Present</i>	Herk Latimer	<i>Present</i>
Robert L. Faherty	<i>Present</i>	Laura I. McDowall	<i>Present</i>
Donna J. Fleming	<i>Excused</i>	Stephanie Mensh	<i>Present</i>
Baba Freeman	<i>Present</i>	John Niemiec	<i>Excused</i>
Robert Gaudian	<i>Excused</i>	Dr. Virginia P. Norton	<i>Excused</i>
Richard Gonzalez	<i>Excused</i>	J. Jay Volkert	<i>Excused</i>
Tom Grodek	<i>Present</i>	Henry Wulf	<i>Present</i>

Staff:	
Verdia L. Haywood, Deputy County Executive	<i>Excused</i>
Ken Disselkoen, Department of Systems Management for Human Services	<i>Present</i>
Chip Gertzog, Department of Systems Management for Human Services	<i>Present</i>
Ken Garnes, Department of Administration for Human Services	<i>Present</i>
Ron McDevitt, Department of Administration for Human Services	<i>Present</i>
Marie Custode, Department of Systems Management for Human Services	<i>Present</i>

Other Attendees: Keri Klockowski, Department of Management and Budget

Call to order

7:30 - 7:35 PM

Henry Wulf called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

HSC Work Session on FY 2009 Budget Message to the Board of Supervisors

7:35 - 8:45 PM

Ron McDevitt reviewed briefly the following handouts: Memo dated March 19, 2008 from Roxanne Rice, Executive Director, Food for Others; Memo dated March 18, 2008 from Patricia Franckewitz entitled "FY 2009 Proposed Budget Cuts"; "Self Sufficiency Division Trends in Public Assistance Caseloads"; "Child Care Assistance and Referral Program Information Sheet (March 9, 2008)"; email from Sushma Kohli entitled "Response"; "Healthy Families Fairfax"; a CrisisLink fact sheet, and the draft memo from the Council to the Board of Supervisors entitled "Recommendations Regarding the FY 2009 Advertised Budget Plan".

Laura McDowall requested, and was granted, 10-15 minutes for the Council to read and review the materials since much of the documentation had not been distributed prior to meeting.

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Henry Wulf then asked each council member to highlight any issues of concern that needed to be discussed. Themes included questions about supporting data, CrisisLink and Alternative House cuts, limited term position funding reductions, consolidated community funding pool, childcare assistance, SACC, the impact of economic downturn on community-based organizations and vulnerable residents, and overall recommendations. A lively discussion was had regarding the possible increase of the tax rate by 3 cents and the Council's desire for equitable distribution of that additional revenue.

Henry Wulf and Ron McDevitt led a discussion about the draft memo to the Board of Supervisors. Council members made recommendations for revisions and edits. A request was made for a spreadsheet with current program figures and recommended funding to summarize the contents of the memo.

Other Business

9:45 – 9:50 PM

Approval of the minutes from the Wednesday March 12, 2008 meeting was moved and accepted.

The draft memo of the Council's recommendations to the Board of Supervisors is expected to be revised and distributed to council members by email by Monday March 24th. The final version will be completed no later than close of business on Wednesday March 26th. Kevin Bell will be presenting the Council's recommendations to the Budget Committee of the Board of Supervisors at 1:00 PM on Friday March 28th.

The Long Term Care Coordinating Council will be presenting in April. The "School Health Strategic Plan from the Health Department" was distributed to council members for review prior to the April session.

Adjournment

9:50 PM

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 PM.

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