

Human Services Council Meeting  
 October 19, 2015, 7:30 PM  
 MEETING MINUTES

| MEMBER NAME   |                | MEMBER NAME                     |                |
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| <b>Kevin H. Bell, Chair</b>   | <i>Present</i> | <b>Carol Ann Hawn</b>           | <i>Absent</i>  |
| <b>Col. Marion (Barney) Barnwell</b>                                      | <i>Absent</i>  | <b>Myra Herbert</b>             | <i>Absent</i>  |
| <b>Dr. Jennifer Anne Bishop</b>   | <i>Absent</i>  | <b>William Kogler</b>           | <i>Present</i> |
| <b>Steven Bloom</b>   | <i>Present</i> | <b>Rev. LaVerne McCain Gill</b> | <i>Absent</i>  |
| <b>Jeff Dannick</b>   | <i>Excused</i> | <b>Michele Menapace</b>         | <i>Present</i> |
| <b>Kenneth (Mark) Deal</b>  | <i>Absent</i>  | <b>Stephanie Mensh</b>          | <i>Present</i> |
| <b>Jack Dobbyn</b>  | <i>Excused</i> | <b>Dr. Gerald (Jerry) Poje</b>  | <i>Present</i> |
| <b>Robert Faherty</b>   | <i>Absent</i>  | <b>Dr. Sergio Rimola</b>        | <i>Present</i> |
| <b>Rev. Dr. Jerrold Foltz</b>   | <i>Excused</i> | <b>Adrienne Walters</b>         | <i>Excused</i> |
| <b>Robert Gaudian</b>   | <i>Absent</i>  | <b>Henry Wulf</b>               | <i>Excused</i> |
| <b>Staff:</b>   |                |                                 |                |
| Patricia Harrison, Deputy County Executive                                |                |                                 | <i>Present</i> |
| Gail Ledford, Department of Administration for Human Services (DAHS)      |                |                                 | <i>Present</i> |
| Michelle Gregory, Department of Neighborhood and Community Services (NCS) |                |                                 | <i>Present</i> |
| Ronald McDevitt, Department of Administration for Human Services (DAHS)   |                |                                 | <i>Present</i> |

Guests and County Staff: Tracy Steffek, Linda Hoffman, Debbie Gutierrez, Robert Easley, Dr. Gloria Addo-Ayensu, Patricia Rohrer, Brenda Gardiner, George Becerra

**Welcome and Overview** – Vice-Chairman, Jerry Poje of the Hunter Mill District opened the meeting at 7:40p.m. welcoming members to the Reston Community Center. As part of the Council’s two-year strategic agenda, meetings are being held at various locations throughout the county. Jerry noted that this meeting would be devoted to sharing several community planning tools, including those being used to plan future development in the Reston area and for the human services system.

**Reston Community Visioning Efforts** – Brenda Gardiner from the Department of Administration for Human Services introduced current planning efforts in the Reston area. Under the guidance of Supervisor Hudgins, a community meeting was held seeking resident input on the development of several county-owned parcels. One goal is to develop the land in a way that would co-locate service delivery with resources and facilities currently available in the community. This community visioning effort works to imbed human services into land use planning processes to ensure human services is integrated into the entire fabric of a community. Pat Harrison, Deputy County Executive, added that this extensive type of planning requires the county to project what the future of a community would look like within the next twenty years. Having a standardized framework that could be replicated would support future planning efforts in other parts of the county. Brenda also distributed a summary profile of the Reston area that would be used to support these planning efforts. Michelle Gregory added that this profile helps to illuminate the nuances of a particular community or neighborhood.

The Council discussed their role in developing a communication strategy on how to effectively connect with their respective Board members on these planning efforts.

**Human Services Report Card Update** – Linda Hoffman and Debbie Gutierrez, Department of Neighborhood and Community Services, updated the Council on the Human Services Report Card and how the work is moving forward around the six focus areas. Debbie shared that six workgroups comprised of agency directors, non-profit partners and community members were meeting regularly

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to support the development of the report card and the long term accountability framework. Recently, the groups have started to develop strategies surrounding the goal areas. Linda presented a draft document for one of the six focus areas (Positive Living for Older Adults and Individuals with Disabilities). Linda added that the final product would be a dynamic web-enabled scorecard with links to other material. Michelle Gregory requested feedback from the Council on how to effectively frame and communicate the work for the public once it was released.

**Human Services Needs Assessment Update** – Michelle Gregory provided an update to the Council on the Human Services Needs Assessment. Michelle distributed a summary of the findings from the community outreach efforts and emphasized this would be only one component of the report. The community outreach efforts conducted included four public forums, several broad-based and targeted focus groups, and a survey. Some of the top needs identified by the public were behavioral health services, affordable housing, accessible housing, and case management. Michelle clarified that individuals interpreted case management as having a lack of available information to access a coordinated set of services as a way to approach and address the need of the individual seeking or receiving services in a more holistic way. More information will be made available to the Council in the upcoming months.

**Human Services Council Talking Points** – Steve Bloom encouraged the Council to make appointments to meet with their respective Supervisor. Talking points were previously distributed to the Council to use as a framework to facilitate a discussion.

**Approval of Council Meeting Minutes** – The minutes from the September 21, 2015, meeting were approved by Jerry Poje and affirmed by Steve Bloom.

**Announcements** – Chairman Bell reminded the Council that a presentation for the Board of Supervisors on the Ad Hoc Police Practices Review Commission Recommendations would be held on Tuesday, October 20, 2015.

The next full membership meeting on November 16, 2015, will be held at the South County Government Center in Conference Room 221AB.

**Adjournment** – Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.