

HIV Community Planning Council
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE
Wednesday, March 8th, 2023
Zoom Meeting
3:00-4:30 pm

Committee Members Present: Lee Jewell, Thomas Knoble, Derrick Mapp, Richard Sullivan,

Committee Members Absent: David Gonzalez [E], Juba Kalamka [E], Laura Thomas [A]

Others Present: Stephen Spano, Maria Lacayo

Support Staff Present: David Crown, Mark Molnar, Kira Perez

Minutes

1. Introductions and Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 3:06 pm by CM Mapp. Everyone introduced themselves and quorum was established.

2. Review/Approve March 8th 2023 DRAFT Agenda – VOTE

The March 8th 2023 DRAFT Agenda were reviewed and approved by consensus.

3. Review/Approve February 1st 2023 DRAFT Minutes – VOTE

The February 1st 2023 DRAFT Minutes was reviewed and approved by consensus.

4. Announcements

- CS Molnar reminds the group of the Full Council meeting returning to in-person. Sub committees will resume meeting virtually.

5. Public Comment

- None.

6. HCAP Report –Stephen Spano

- Stephen Spano reviewed the HCAP report, and centered a two client experiences.
 - Spano follows up on a client case, this quadriplegic client that was terminated from services. Spano offered anger management training, mental health services, and psychosocial services. Spano will remain in contact with this client.
 - CM Sullivan asks for more clarity as to why services were terminated.
 - Spano explains that this client was deemed “unmanageable”. Clarifying that there was no violence, and that behaviors were trauma responses, and that major headway was made in regards to mental health services. The service provider suggested virtual therapy, however due to client’s condition virtual therapy and email is difficult. Spano advocated to keep this client in services however the provider denied.
 - CS Molnar asks about alternatives that may or may not be HIV service related, or RW funded.
 - Spano answers that he has not been able to find one
 - CM Mapp asks about crafting a job posting for this help.
 - Spano answers that he is willing to but notes that case management would assist with this.
 - Spano reviews another client case where the need for case management is higher than the in home support itself. This client was connected to a service provider that would help this client

move from a skilled nursing facility to independent living. This intensive case management from Institute of Aging Community of Living Fund is very successful however this does duplicate some services and is not a RW care funded service. Spano notes that the success of this intensive case management model would be something that other HIV services that are RW funded should look into.

- Cm Mapp asks if someone from Institute of Aging Community of Living Fund can present to the council.
- CS Molnar notes that can be added to the Full Council agenda.

7. Needs Assessment Update/COLA Targets -VOTE

- CS Perez reviews needs assessment for trans folks living with HIV, reviews that medical care, housing, as well as mental health services being the greatest need. CS Perez reviews many direct quotes from this focus group.
- CS reviews recommendations from this needs assessment: Training and education of trans needs, better referral systems, and case management or wrap around services that would provide better emotional practical, and navigational support around surgeries and other medical needs.
 - CM Mapp asks if the medical services that participants discussed are HIV services or other medical services and needs.
 - CS Perez answers that was not clear, but topics discussed ranged between HIV services and trans specific medical needs.
- CS Molnar emphasizes the recommendation around trans specific training to providers, specifically that trans folks would like to see their community represented in the services they are receiving.
- Spano echoes the need to see representation of the community that is providing these services. Spano also notes the complexities of accessing multiple services, for example mental health and medical and how they are intertwined. Medical may not be RW funded but the therapists they are seeing to get referrals for surgery are.

8. Next Meeting Date & Agenda Items – VOTE

The Community Engagement Committee members will discuss when the next meeting will be scheduled. Next meeting will be Wednesday April 5th, 2023.

9. Adjournment

Meeting was adjournment at PM by CM Mapp at 4:20

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Roll Call: **P**=Present; **A**=Absent; **E**=Excused; **L**=Leave of Absence

Votes: **Y**=Yes; **N**=No; **B**=Abstain; **R**=Recused (deduct from quorum)

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1.	David Gonzalez	E										
2.	Lee Jewell	P										
3.	Juba Kalamka	A										

4.	Thomas Knoble	P										
5.	Derrick Mapp (Co-Chair)	P										
6.	Richard Sullivan (Co-Chair)	P										
7.	Laura Thomas	A										

Ayes										
Nays										
Abstain										
Recusal										
Total										