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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

JOINT HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 22, 2022 Telephonic and Web Meeting Approved September 19, 2022

Attendance: Aida Abkarians, Kent Mariconda, Rosi Mariconda, Saif Mogri, Steve Randall, Joan Trent, and Brad Vanderhoof

Committee Co-chair Aida Abkarians called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM. A quorum was established.

The July meeting minutes were approved.

Chair Comments: None

Public Comment: Corinne Ho said the release of the 2022 Homeless Count results has been delayed until early September because HUD needs to do data verification. Planning for the 2023 Homeless Count has begun. HUD has allocated \$20 million for continuum of care. The State, County, and City as well as LAHSA are applying for grants.

Numbers refer to agenda items.

- 6. Pursuing different ways and ideas of helping our unhoused population: Steve spoke about tiny homes. Kent spoke on people living off the system. Joan commented on permanent housing at government expense. Rosi spoke on the eviction moratorium extension. Goat Homeless Tsar spoke about criminal behavior by individuals experiencing homelessness. Corrine Ho spoke about the coordinated entry system and said there are big changes coming, and the priority system is being reevaluated.
- 7. Working directly with CD12 in finding solutions to homelessness: Aida said she will contact the office of Jesse Gabriel. Goat Homeless Tsar discussed former Council Member Mark Ridley-Thomas. Rosi put forth MLF.org as a possible organization to work with.

Committee Co-chair Aida Abkarians adjourned the meeting at 6:59 PM.

The next meeting of this committee is on Monday September 19, 2022 at 6:00 PM.