



**AGENDA
HOMELESS COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING
Friday, July 31, 2015, 5:00 p.m.
OXNARD HOUSING DEPARTMENT
435 SOUTH 'D' STREET, OXNARD, CALIFORNIA 93030**

A. Call to Order and Roll Call

B. Public Comments

A person may address the Committee only on matters within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee. The presiding officer shall limit public comments to three minutes. The Committee cannot enter into detailed discussion or take action on any item presented during public comments that is not on the agenda. Such item may only be referred to the Committee Secretary for administrative action or scheduled on a subsequent agenda for discussion.

3. INFORMATION/CONSENT ITEMS

SUBJECT: Minutes of Meeting of December 10, 2014

RECOMMENDATION: Approve minutes of meeting of December 10, 2014

C. New Business

SUBJECT: Commission Resolution of July 27, 2015, on Winter Warming Shelter

RECOMMENDATION: That the Homeless Committee receive and discuss the Commission Resolution and provide recommendations and direction.

D. Future Agenda Items

E. Adjournment

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**City of Oxnard
Homeless Committee
DRAFT Minutes of the Regular Meeting of
December 10, 2014**

On Wednesday, December 10, 2014, at 5:35 p.m. the Regular Meeting of the Homeless Committee convened at 300 West Third Street, Oxnard, CA 93030. Mayor Pro Tem Carmen Ramirez and Councilwoman Dorina Padilla attended. Councilwoman Padilla chaired the meeting. Also in attendance were Oxnard City Attorney Steve Fischer; Deputy City Manager Grace Hoffman; Peter Brown, also from the City Manager's Office; Carrie Sabatini, Interim Housing Director; Ruth Johnson, Housing Department Management Analyst; Officers Sandra Haumann and Jacob Jundeff of the Oxnard Police Department; and Karl Lawson, Interim Homeless Services Coordinator, who acted as Executive Secretary. Chairwoman Peggy Rivera and Vice-Chair France Castañon of the Commission on Homelessness attended, as did Eileen Tracy and Cindy Wilson.

A. ROLL CALL

Roll was called and a quorum was deemed present.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

C. NEW BUSINESS

(1). Subject: Staff and Commission recommendations for Re-structuring of the Commission on Homelessness (COH).

Mr. Lawson directed the Committee's attention to the staff report beginning on the second page of the agenda packet, and presented a verbal summary thereof. Staff responded to questions from Committee members. Comments were received from Ms. Tracy, Ms. Castanon, and Ms. Rivera. A discussion ensued among Committee members and speakers regarding possibly changing the meeting time of the COH. Chairwoman Padilla made a motion to support the staff and Commission recommendations with one modification related to quorum, as follows: (a) reduce the size of the COH from eleven to seven Commissioners; (b) reduce the quorum requirement from the current six to four; and (c) modify the terms of office of the Commissioners so that said terms expire after January of odd-numbered years. Mayor Pro Tem seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

(2) Subject: Staff assignments and responsibilities with respect to Homeless Services.

Mr. Lawson, Mr. Brown, Ms. Sabatini and Ms. Hoffman reported to the Committee on the scopes of responsibilities assigned to the various City staff persons currently working on homelessness-related issues (including all of the afore-mentioned, along with Officer Jundeff and Ms. Johnson). Ms. Tracy, Ms. Rivera and Ms. Castanon addressed the Committee on this item.

Chairwoman Padilla and Mayor Pro Tem Ramirez opined that the Homeless Committee meetings often appear to be duplicative of the COH meetings, and recommended that the Committee meet only on an as-needed basis. They encouraged the COH to present its recommendations directly to the full City Council whenever possible.

(3) Subject: Update on Service provider and staff activities:

Mr. Brown provided the Committee with a report on the January 27, 2015 Point-In-Time count effort and the Winter Warming Shelter. Mr. Brown invited all interested persons to register to volunteer for the Count at volunteerventura.org, and stated that training for volunteers will take place on January 20, 2015 at 12:00 noon, and January 21, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. Ms. Johnson reported that the training location would be at the Human Resources activity room, 300 West Third Street, and that the base of operations for the day of the Count will be at 1500 Camino del Sol.

Cindy Wilson of The Kingdom Center reported to the Committee on the programs and activities at TKC, and invited all to visit the facility.

(4) Subject: National Best Practices

Mr. Brown presented a slide show on the Safe and Clean Public Places and Assistance-Based Enforcement program, and discussed the on-going coordination with various City departments to develop and implement such a program in the City.

D. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS. No items were listed for future agendas. The next meeting will be on-call, on an as-needed basis.

E. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

(Minutes prepared by Karl Lawson)

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION ON HOMELESSNESS OF THE CITY OF
OXNARD, CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS, the City Council has established the Commission on Homeless and charged the Commission with advising the City Council on all matters pertaining to homelessness in the City; and

WHEREAS, the powers and duties of the Commission, as set forth in the City Code, include recommending programs, strategies and funding for preventing and reducing the incidence of homelessness in the City; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for a winter warming shelter for homeless persons in our community, as evidenced by the 862 individuals who were provided shelter in the winter of 2014-15; and

WHEREAS, in recent years the City has funded a Winter Warming Shelter between December and March, in collaboration with the City of Ventura and several service providers; and

WHEREAS, no organization has stepped forward to operate a shelter for the winter of 2015-16, which is projected to be colder and wetter than recent winters;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commission on Homelessness recommends the following to the City Council:

- (1) That staff be directed to identify viable locations for a winter warming shelter;
- (2) That Council identify possible sources of funding to operate such a shelter;
- (3) That staff analyze the permissibility of taking action based on a declaration of emergency related to the impact that the anticipated inclement weather will have on homeless individuals in our community;
- (4) That staff be directed to assess steps that can be taken to expedite the processing of the permit application that has been filed seeking authorization to re-zone and/or otherwise allow the use of the facility at 621 Richmond as a shelter for homeless persons; and
- (5) That Council place this matter on a Council agenda in the month of September.

BE IT FURTHER RESOVED that this Resolution shall be forwarded to the City Council and to the Council's Homeless Committee.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 27th day of July, 2015, by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Brinkmeyer, Castanon, Flores, Gonzalez, Jaena, Martinez, Rivera

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None



Peggy Rivera, Chair

ATTEST:



Karl Lawson, Executive Secretary

Schulkin, Karol

From: Mark Jackson - NOAA Federal <mark.jackson@noaa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, July 09, 2015 1:40 PM
Subject: El Niño update for July: El Niño Advisory continues
Attachments: The Latest on El Niño - July 2015.png; ElNiñoceansignal.png; MidJune2015.png

Dear Partners,

NOAA's Climate Prediction Center issued its monthly ENSO (the El Niño/Southern Oscillation) update this morning. Here are the key points from this update:

- El Niño conditions remain with an El Niño Advisory still in effect.
- There is a greater than 90% chance that El Niño will continue through Northern Hemisphere winter 2015-16, and around an 80% chance it will last into early spring 2016.
- During June 2015, sea surface temperatures (SST) anomalies exceeded +1.0°C across the central and eastern equatorial Pacific Ocean.
- The atmospheric signals (wind and storm shifts) remained firmly coupled to the oceanic warming (El Niño signal). Collectively, these atmospheric and oceanic features reflect an ongoing and strengthening El Niño. (see second attachment)
- NOAA/CPC forecaster consensus is in favor of a significant El Niño in excess of +1.5°C in the Niño-3.4 (Central Pacific) region continuing into this winter.
- A relative few number of forecast models are predicting a weaker El Niño event this winter. (see third attachment)
- As we get closer to winter, the skill in forecasting El Niño strength improves.
- Temperature and precipitation impacts in southern California associated with El Niño are minimal during the summer. The exception is a positive correlation between El Niño events and increased tropical cyclone activity in the eastern Pacific.
- A strong El Niño won't necessarily mean above average winter precipitation for southern California; however, the 5 strong El Niño events occurring since they've been tracked (1957-58, 1965-66, 1972-73, 1982-83, and 1997-98) all brought above average October to April precipitation at the official observation site in downtown Los Angeles. The heaviest October-April period was in 1982-83 when rainfall of just over 30 inches was recorded.
- Should this end up being a weak or moderate El Niño, there is little-to-no correlation between enhanced precipitation and a weak- or moderate-strength El Niño.

With some of the latest weekly SST's approaching the values recorded in 1997-98, it's important to keep these short term changes in perspective. CPC's latest ENSO blog "[Keep calm and stop obsessing over weekly changes in ENSO](#)" does a good job explaining why this is good advice.

You can read the full text of the latest update at:
http://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/products/analysis_monitoring/enso_advisory/ensodisc.html

As always, please contact us if you have any questions.

Thank you,
Mark

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