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**AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
Commission on Homelessness
Monday, August 6, 2012 - 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers
305 West Third Street, Oxnard, CA 93030**

A. ROLL CALL

**B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
July 2, 2012**

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

A person may address the Commission only on matters within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. The presiding officer shall limit public comments to three minutes each. The Commission 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 Commission Secretary for administrative action or scheduled on a subsequent agenda for discussion.

D. HOMELESS SERVICES UPDATE

1. Public comment on Homeless Services Update: members of the public may comment on items listed under Homeless Services Update. Comments shall be limited to three minutes each.
2. Kingdom Center at 1450 Update – David Christensen
3. Turning Point Foundation Shelter Update – Clyde Reynolds
4. 2012 Continuum of Care Grant Application RFP – Will Reed

E. OLD BUSINESS

1. Public comment on Homeless Services Update: members of the public may comment on items listed under Old Business. Comments shall be limited to three minutes each.
2. Review of SB2 Letter to City Council: Commissioner Courtland
3. Review of 2012 Strategic Plan: Commissioner Gomez
4. Black and White Dinner Dance Update: Commissioner Rivera

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Public comment on New Business: members of the public may comment on items listed under New Business. Comments shall be limited to three minutes each.
2. September Recommendations for Commendations - All

G. COMMISSION BUSINESS

1. Commissioners may relate recent experiences or request that matters be placed on a future agenda for discussion.

H. ADJOURNMENT

The next business meeting of the Commission on Homelessness will be September 10, 2012, at 3:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber, 305 West Third Street, Oxnard, CA, 93030.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in a meeting, please contact Will Reed at (805) 385-8044. Notification 72 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable accommodations to assure accessibility to the meeting.

City of Oxnard
Commission on Homelessness
Business Meeting
July 2, 2012
3:30PM

Commissioner Rivera called to order the business meeting of the Commission on Homelessness at 3:35 PM on July 2, 2012 in the City Council Chambers at 305 West Third Street, Oxnard, CA 93030.

A. ROLL CALL

Will Reed conducts roll call. The following persons were present:

Commissioner Rivera
Commissioner Jones
Commissioner Stern
Commissioner Tracy
Commissioner Castanon
Commissioner Gonzalez
Commissioner Courtland
Commissioner Gomez
Commissioner Couey

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Tracy made the motion to approve the minutes of June 4th 2012 as amended, seconded by Commissioner Courtland. Accepted by (All).

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

D. HOMELESS SERVICES UPDATE

1. Public Comment-None
2. City's Homeless Prevention Program Update given by Will Reed. From the date of October 1st, 2011 to June 25th, 2012 the program has assisted 31 households
3. 2012 Continuum of Care Grant Notice of Intent to Apply will be published on next weekend's newspaper.

E. OLD BUSINESS

1. Public Comment-None
2. Responsiveness of City Council to Commission Letters
3. Status of City Plans to Comply with SB2-the Planning Commission is attempting to identify a location for shelters. The commission would like to see a change in their amendment in regards to homeless persons with a criminal background. A motion was made by Commissioner Courtland for Commissioners Rivera and Jones to meet with Sue Martin, Planning Manager to discuss the issues the Commission on Homelessness has with SB2, 2nd by Commissioner Tracy.
4. Black and White Dinner Dance Plans update given by Commissioner Gonzalez.
5. Status of Support of the Ventura County Housing Trust Fund Request of \$200,000.

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. None
2. Nomination of Commissioner to Serve on Local Board for Emergency Food and Shelter Programs: Commissioner Gomez nominates Commissioner Castanon to serve on Local Board for Emergency Food and Shelter Programs, 2nd by Commissioner Couey.

G. COMMISSION BUSINESS

1. Commissioner Rivera requests Kingdom Center Staff to give the Commission an update on next month's meeting.
2. Commissioner Rivera announced plans to initiate the HOPE Program in collaboration with Commissioner Perez's business.

H. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Rivera adjourned the meeting at 4:50 P.M.

To: Oxnard City Council

**Reply to
attn. of: Oxnard Homeless Commission**

Subject: Compliance with SB2

The Homeless Commission would like to commend the city council on its recent handling of the proposed zone text amendment at its July 10 meeting. Identifying zones where year-round shelters can locate is a long overdue step towards compliance with SB2, as well as making establishment of a year-round homeless shelter a matter of policy that the city's Planning Dept. can no longer ignore.

The Oxnard Homeless Commission recommends the council also take the following steps as soon as possible:

- Commit Measure O funds towards the acquisition of a year-round shelter site;
- Commit CDBG funds towards rehabilitation of a building for a year-round shelter;
- Apply for matching funds from the county's fund dedicated to year-round shelters;
- Partner with the St. Vincent de Paul Society, which is experienced in managing the annual fall emergency shelter and ready to begin servicing a year-round shelter.

The commission is ready and available to work with the council on prioritizing steps toward creating a year-round homeless shelter.