

Meeting. 10-08-2020. 1:30-3pm

In attendance: Heidi Wegleitner, Matt Julian, Jo Chalhoub, Sarah Anderson, Lauren Jerzak, Rose Manjon, Michael Moody, Lorena Johnson, Jani Koester, Lane Hanson

1. Request from Core Committee collaborate on an invitation for rep-elects Hong and Baldeh to do a Q&A- Discussion around Resolution to end encampments proposed by Baldeh, discussion around waiting on this until after the November 3rd election and perhaps inviting more officials to the meeting- Lane will reply to the Core Committee with this answer
2. Heidi updated the group on the resolution proposed by Council Member Baldeh to end encampments. Resolution referred to City EOC. They meet Wednesday, 10/15.
3. Lane will email the letter we drafted to the whole council and County Board. There was no reply from Mayor or County Executive.
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1gsms3rPfMcp61Gm5urJZP-n7sP9KzL7Ny2Sw4UP8rrM/edit>
4. Rest of meeting discussion about how to support HSC members with education and advocacy. We will draft an email about upcoming meetings and get it sent out to the HSC list on Monday, 10/12. Email will reference the letter we drafted (see link in #3).
5. The EAC will hold an informal Q&A about giving public comment on Wednesday 10/21 at 4:30pm. Heidi will be available for updates on Budget amendments and overview of how to give public comment, Lane can give examples from own experience giving public comment, Lane will email Brenda to see if she is available to be there as well.
6. Next meeting is Thursday, November 12th from 1:30-3pm.

Email sent to HSC and H2 members:

The HSC Education and Advocacy (HSC E&A) Committee is committed to keeping you updated on upcoming housing related local policy issues. We encourage you to show up for these meetings and share your important experiences with our local officials so they will better understand homelessness issues and needs.

Here are upcoming meetings of interest. Please show up to advocate on behalf of the HSC E&A requests.

Today- Monday, October 12 at 4:30pm- City Finance Committee will hold a public hearing on the 2021 Operating Budget and receive agency presentations from the Community Development Division which funds homeless services, tenant services, and affordable housing. The committee will also take up the \$3.4M in HUD ESG-CV City and CoC funds and \$5.5M in Affordable Housing Trust fund allocations. As HSC E&A explained in our recent advocacy letter, the HUD ESG-CV funds are insufficient to address unmet needs as demonstrated by the approximately \$10.4M in funding requests. You can register for comment here.

Thursday, October 15th, 5:00pm- City of Madison Equal Opportunities Commission Meeting; show up to oppose City Resolution intended to break up existing city encampments. Detailed meeting information is available here. The Community Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness calls us to advocate for "evaluation of and/or repeal of local laws in order to decriminalize homelessness. Sweeping encampments is a form of criminalization of homelessness and is the

wrong approach to addressing concerns. The National Homelessness Law Center has a number of alternative approaches in their recent report.

Monday, October 19, 6:30 PM - City-County Homeless Issues Committee; show up to advocate for budget recommendations from the Committee to advance HSC E&A budget requests.

Wednesday, October 21st, 4:30pm- Q&A style meeting with members of the Education and Advocacy Committee; Overview of current City and County Homelessness Budget issues, learn how to show up and submit comments at public meetings. Zoom link to be sent out in advance of the meeting.

Wednesday, October 21st, 6:00pm- Dane County Board of Supervisors 2021 Budget Public Hearing. Zoom link to be sent out in advance of the meeting (and also will be available here).

Monday, October 26th, 4:30pm- City Common Council Finance Committee Meeting. Members will vote on amendments to the 2021 Operating Budget. Please save the date to provide public comment at that meeting. We will send the agenda when it is available.