MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 27, 1989
WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK
647 N. SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD
7:00 P.M.

STUDY SESSION - SOCIAL SERVICES PROGRAM EVALUATIONS AND AGENCY SELF-ASSESSMENTS

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Pro Tempore Land called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Denise Wheeler led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Heilman, Koretz, Schulte,

Mayor Pro Tem Land

ABSENT: Mayor Albert

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Brotzman

Lloyd Long, Human Services Director Daphne Dennis, Social Services Division Tom West, Social Services Division Perri Sloane, Social Services Division

Judith Wright, Finance Division

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: ACTION: To approve agenda. Motion Schulte second Heilman. Hearing no objection and noting the absence of Mayor Albert it was so ordered.

- 1. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: There was no City Manager's report.
- 2. Posting of Agenda: The Deputy City Clerk reported that the agenda for the meeting of March 27, 1989, was posted at City Hall, Plummer Park, the West Hollywood Library and the Sheriff's Station on Tuesday, March 21, 1989.
- 3. MIDYEAR SOCIAL SERVICES PROGRAM EVALUATIONS AND AGENCY SELF-ASSESSMENTS: The midyear assessment of Social Services programming allows for a discussion and review of the contracts and presents staff's evaluation of each agency and an agency-prepared self-assessment. RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council: 1) Receive and file the agency evaluations; 2) Direct staff regarding changes or modifications in Social Services funding policy for fiscal year 1989-90, with particular attention to the areas outlined in this report; and 3) Approve a 5% COLA increase in Social Services funding for fiscal year 1989-90 excluding agencies recommended (in April) for continued probation or which have not executed a contract or begun program services by March 31, 1989.

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Daphne Dennis, Lead Social Services Program Analyst, reported on the evaluation and agency self-assessments of the social services programs as of December, and also highlighted areas that staff and the community have identified as areas of unmet need. Based on Council's recommendations, staff will come back on May 1, 1989 with specific dollar amounts for recommendations for the contract extensions for next year.

Daphne Dennis also reported on the discussion and recommendations by the Human Services Commission.

DIRECTIONS TO STAFF:

Following questions and discussion, Council gave the following directions to staff:

To talk to GLASS regarding their funding and their plans for spending money on AIDS educational information for youth, and come back to Council with that discussion, so that Council can decide whether to reallocate those funds.

Regarding a COLA increase, instead of an across the board increase, to look at an increase for agencies that merit it based on their capability, service record in the last year, and the community need demonstrated so far; tie it in with the budget process.

To look at doing contract extensions till October, and have an October to September budget cycle for the agencies, contingent on discussions with the agencies. To report back to Council in May on this.

To look at the way we are allocating resources for AIDS funding. Explore shifting hospice pool money for in-home care. Staff to come back with an analysis of the hospice pool and what the costs might be--an assessment of how far that money would go.

Social Services to work with Community Development to come up with some kind of money for housing, explore some kind of revolving loan or something along those lines.

Get a mid-year report from the Russian Cultural Center. It should show whether the services are social services or cultural.

Direct staff to come up with a list of existing legal services for moderate income people--come up with a resource guide so that when people call they can have places to access.

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Staff to work with our legal service providers to come up with specific programs as a way of providing more direct service.

Look at requiring agencies to do more outreach and education.

Look into programs for youth that live in the City--expand our recreation, after-school day care, etc. Regarding child care or day care, to include the needs of the Russian Community.

Work with our legal staff to come up with a hold harmless agreement regarding restaurants being able to give food to the nutrition program.

Work with County regarding advocacy for health care.

Explore whether legal services are being offered for homeless persons, specifically in West Hollywood.

Research the question of a pool of money to be set aside for housing for youth. Change the criteria on Citrus House so they can take in youth on a short-term basis.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: The following persons addressed the Council:

Paul Webber, W.H.: Spoke regarding problems of the homeless. Said some are being discriminated against because of drug abuse or alcohol abuse. What is being done about people that cannot be in the homeless program? Spoke in favor of in-home care for persons with AIDS--has a friend receiving in-home care; also agree with the training programs given here for nurse's aids for AIDS patients. Let's get people in homeless shelter who won't discriminate.

Charles D (homeless): (Not present)

Clifford Crawley (homeless): (Not present)

COUNCILMEMBERS COMMENTS: At this time Mayor Pro Tem Land stated that the April 24th study session with the Housing Corporation should be rescheduled for either May 8th or May 22nd. The Councilmembers agreed, by consensus, to schedule the study session for May 8, 1989.

Councilmember Heilman suggested that a joint study session with the Planning Commission should be held in the near future, maybe June, to give them a better understanding of City Council decisions and the direction the City Council wishes to go. City Council Minutes March 27, 1989 Page 4

Councilmember Schulte brought up the issue of a petition being circulated regarding a crosswalk at Harper and Santa Monica, where there was at least one accident, and suggested that there be a closer look at that.

CLOSED SESSION: This time was set aside for the City Council to meet in closed session to discuss matters pertaining to litigation, potential litigation, personnel, and/or claims. No closed session was held.

Mayor Pro Tem Land adjourned the meeting to the next regular meeting on Monday, April 3, 1989, at West Hollywood Park.

APPROVED BY MOTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 18T DAY OF MAY, 1989.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

Vivian M. Pakoserich Deputy