

**CITY OF LYNNWOOD
HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION MINUTES
February 6, 2020 Meeting**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Dillon at 6:32 p.m.

Roll Call

Commissioners Present:	Staff:
Mary Anne Dillon	Lynn Sordel
Vanessa Villavicencio	Ashley Dawson
Pam Hurst	Leah Jensen
Michelle Reitan - Absent	Mary-Anne Grafton
Sandi Farkas	
Chris Collier - Absent	
City Council Liaison:	
Jim Smith	

Approval of Minutes

December 5, 2019 minutes approved after correction on line 18.

Citizen Comments

None

Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Hurst attended the press conference on the Housing Affordability Regional Taskforce (HART) report. Commissioner Hurst informed the commissioners that the report does not include a recommendation for assistance for displaced tenants.

Discussion:

Commission Appointments for 2020:

Chair: Commissioner Farkas unanimously elected as Chair

Vice Chair: Commissioners will vote for Vice Chair at the March 5, 2020 meeting.

1 **Approval of 2020 Meeting Calendar:**

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3 The 2020 Meeting Schedule unanimously approved with corrections and
4 revisions.

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6 **Review and Approval of the Human Services Annual Report to Council:**

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8 The 2020 Annual Report unanimously approved with revisions.

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10 **Focus Group Updates:**

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12 Commissioners will receive an analysis of the data collected through focus
13 groups at the April 6. In January/early February, seniors were interviewed.
14 Interviews for focus groups consisting of healthcare providers are being
15 scheduled. In March, recruitment for the consumers focus group will begin.

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17 Data that may be extracted from the results of the focus groups:

- 18 • Identifying the barriers to healthcare
- 19 • The role mental illness plays in the failure to access healthcare
- 20 • Barriers that city policies play in the failure to access healthcare
- 21 • Consolidating information on how and where to access healthcare
- 22 resources
- 23 • Defining the role the city should play in meeting healthcare needs in the
- 24 community

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26 **Other Business/Reports**

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28 Two applications received for the open Human Services Commission positions.
29 Next step for applicants will be an interview with Mayor Smith.

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31 **Council Liaison Report**

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33 Council member Smith is looking forward to working with the group.

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36 ***NEXT MEETING: March 5, 2020***

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38 ***ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 PM***

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40 ***SUBMITTED BY Sandi Farkas, CHAIR***