

MINUTES
MALIBU HOMELESSNESS TASK FORCE
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 21, 2023
TELECONFERENCED – VARIOUS LOCATIONS
2:00 P.M.

The following meeting was held pursuant to AB 361 and fully teleconferenced from various locations during the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Roven called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The following persons were recorded in attendance via teleconference by the Recording Secretary:

PRESENT: Chair Ian Roven; and Task Force Members Wayne Cohen, Scott Dittrich, Chris Frost, and Bill Sampson

ABSENT: Task Force Members Deborah Benton, Terry Davis, Kelly Pessis, and Joshua Spiegel

ALSO PRESENT: Susan Dueñas, Public Safety Director; Luis Flores, Public Safety Liaison; Parker Davis, Media Technician; and Mary Linden, Executive Assistant

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Roven led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION Chair Roven moved and Task Force Member Dittrich seconded a motion to approve the agenda with Item No. 1.A. continued to the next meeting. The question was called, and the motion carried 5-0, Task Force Members, Benton, Davis, Pessis, and Spiegel absent.

REPORT ON POSTING OF AGENDA

Executive Assistant Linden reported that the agenda for the meeting was properly posted on February 16, 2023.

ITEM 1 CEREMONIAL/PRESENTATIONS

A. Election of Vice Chair

This item was continued on approval of the agenda.

ITEM 2.A. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ITEM 2.B. STAFF UPDATES

Public Safety Director Dueñas discussed beds funded through Measure H by the Las Virgenes-Malibu Council of Governments (COG). She stated the beds had been fast-tracked to be online in early March. She stated The People Concern (TPC) was just waiting for payment from the County. She discussed the Tuna Canyon property. She stated the deadline to abate was today, so the City was moving forward with a summary abatement, which allowed the City to bill the homeowner for costs to clear the encampment.

In response to Task Force Member Dittrich, Public Safety Director Dueñas stated the three beds could not be used as emergency beds. She stated the City was coordinating with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) to use those beds, which would allow enforcement of the City's no camping ordinance.

Public Safety Liaison Flores stated he was working to get quotes on summary abatement. He stated TPC reported eight individuals were moved off the street in January, including one in permanent housing, four in temporary housing, and three who were reunified.

Task Force Member Dittrich asked what was required to secure a true emergency bed. Public Safety Director Dueñas stated there were none available. She stated emergency beds could not be reserved.

ITEM 2.C. TASK FORCE MEMBER COMMENTS

None.

ITEM 3 CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION Chair Roven moved, and Task Force Member Frost seconded a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. The question was called, and the motion carried 5-0, Task Force Members Benton, Davis, Pessis, and Spiegel absent.

The Consent Calendar consisted of the following items:

- A. Previously Discussed Items
None.

B. New Items

1. Approval of Minutes – January 17, 2023

Staff recommendation: Approve minutes of the Homelessness Task Force Regular meeting of January 17, 2023.

MOTION Chair Roven moved, and Task Force Member Dittrich seconded a motion to continue Item Nos. 4.A. and 5.A to the March meeting. The question was called, and the motion carried 5-0, Task Force Members, Benton, Davis, Pessis, and Spiegel absent.

ITEM 4 OLD BUSINESS

A. Public Engagement and Outreach Plan (continued from January 17, 2023)

Recommended Action: 1) Discuss the development of a Public Engagement and Outreach Plan; 2) appoint no more than five Task Force Members to serve on the Public Engagement and Outreach Plan Ad Hoc Committee or dissolve the Committee; and 3) make a recommendation to the City Council on the Public Engagement and Outreach Plan, if appropriate.

This item was continued to the March meeting.

ITEM 5 NEW BUSINESS

A. Review of Homelessness Task Force Charter Progress

Recommended Action: 1) Review the progress made on completing the Homelessness Task Force Charter assignments; and 2) Identify next steps.

This item was continued to the March meeting.

B. Future Agenda Items

Recommended Action: Review items tentatively scheduled for upcoming meeting agendas and provide feedback to staff.

MOTION Task Force Member Cohen moved, and Task Force Member Dittrich seconded a motion to task the Legal Analysis Ad Hoc Committee to evaluate the Task Force's bylaws pertaining to election and succession of Chair and Vice Chair, and report back to the Task Force. The question was called, and the motion carried 5-0, Task Force Members Benton, Davis, Pessis, and Spiegel absent.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION At 2:19 p.m., Chair Roven adjourned the meeting.

Approved and adopted by the Homelessness Task Force of the City of Malibu on March 21, 2023.



IAN ROVEN, Chair

ATTEST:


MARY LINDEN, Executive Assistant