

**MEETING MINUTES**  
Our City, Our Home Oversight Committee Meeting  
**August 17, 2021**  
9:36 AM – 11:31 AM

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1) **Call to Order/Roll Call.**

The meeting was called to order at 9:36 AM

Roll Call:

Member Andrews: Present  
Vice Chair D'Antonio: Present  
Member Friedenbach: Present  
Member Leadbetter: Present  
Member Miller: Joined Late  
Member Reggio: Present  
Chair Williams: Absent

2) **Opportunity for the public to comment on any matters within the Committee's jurisdiction that are not on the agenda.**

Kristin Evans provided a public comment. As a proponent of Prop C she expressed interest in the transparency of OCOH spending, not just budget allocation. She expressed frustration over the lack of assistance for chronically homeless people and would like to know how the money is being spent and how many resources have been added. She said the Shelter in Place (SIP) Hotel dashboards have been taken down from the City website. She would like to see them returned to public view.

Wesley Saver, Policy Manager for Glide made a public comment. He said that without the SIP Hotel dashboard, he does not know what is happening with exits and is concerned that GLIDE is seeing new clients seeking help. Asks that the Committee continue to press for greater transparency.

Mary Kate Bacalao of HESPA and Compass Family Services made a public comment. She said that transparency and accountability in the administration of OCOH dollars is essential. This includes paying attention to access and outcomes.

3) Discussion Item/Possible Action:

**Approval, with possible modification, of the [Minutes of the July 20, 2021 meeting](#).**

Member Andrews made a motion to approve the minutes. Member Friedenbach seconded the motion.

There were no public comments.

Roll Call:

Member Andrews: Yes  
Vice Chair D'Antonio: Yes  
Member Friedenbach: Yes  
Member Leadbetter: Yes  
Member Miller: Yes  
Member Reggio: Yes  
Chair Williams: Absent

The motion passed.

4) Discussion Item/Possible Action:

***Finalized OCOH Appropriations and Departmental Updates on Next Steps with discussion and possible action by the Committee.***

A final version of the approved OCOH budget and Committee Investment Plan can be found [here](#).  
The presentation slides related to this agenda item can be found [here](#).

Member Friedenbach described big picture budget differences between the Committee's recommendations and the final approved budget.

- Medium term subsidies for justice involved adults did not make it into the final budget.
- Bridge Housing for TAY was put in year two to allow development of a service model.
- Prevention consolidated funding (including workforce development) into larger pots for designated service populations (Adults/Veterans/Justice Involved, TAY, and Families)
- Mental Health funding recommendations from the Committee and the Department were largely appropriated.
- Shelter recommendations were largely appropriated; Board of Supervisors added hotel vouchers for Transition Aged Youth (TAY).

Member Leadbetter asked the Committee to track the balance between City and Community Based Organization provided services.

Member Andrews asked about the SSI advocacy line item in the Committee's investment plan. Laura Marshall (Controller's Office) responded that the line item was initially moved into year two, and then removed entirely during the Board of Supervisors phase of the budget process. Member Andrews noted that the SSI Advocacy recommendation was informed by the listening sessions. Member Friedenbach, Member Leadbetter, and Member Andrews each suggest the Committee revisit this service in next year's recommendations. Member Miller suggests that the Committee's staff compare budget recommendations and highlight differences.

Laura Marshall (Controller's Office) showed the first draft of a [budget dashboard](#) that the Committee can use to track the final budget allocations and, in the future, spending actuals. Member Miller asked that the information be made more user friendly and accessible. Member Friedenbach said that there had been a great deal of transparency around the outcomes of the Shelter In Place (SIP) hotels because of the dashboard, but it's no longer up. Member Friedenbach said she would also like to see transparency around outcomes for the OCOH Fund investments going forward. Member Miller and Member Leadbetter would like to allocate resources to designing a clear, accessible website that tells the story of the OCOH Fund. Vice Chair D'Antonio asks that data efforts move away from using acronyms or catch all categories like "mixed uses." These steps will make the data more accessible to the community.

Kelly Kirkpatrick from the Department of Public Health (DPH) discussed DPH's implementation and contracting of OCOH funds. The presentation slides can be found [here](#).

Member Leadbetter asked that DPH and HSH keep the Committee updated on how they're work-ordering funds and leveraging other funding sources like Medi-Cal.

Member Reggio asked whether, given the time it takes for program development and contracting, it is likely the funding allocated in a particular year will be spent in that year? Ms. Kirkpatrick (DPH) responded that the goal in budgeting is to assume lead time that is known. She said that not all programs will be subject to the longer timeline, DPH is trying to get the funds out quickly. Getting vendors pre-approved by the City will help move things along. DPH is also working with the Controller's Office to be transparent about any unspent funds.

Jessica Shimmin (Controller's Office) presented slides on the Stakeholder Engagement contracting and timeline. The presentation slides can be found [here](#).

Member Friedenbach asked about compensating OCOH Committee members who are serving in the seats designated for people with lived expertise of homelessness. The Controller's Office noted that the Ordinance and Bylaws state that Committee Members serve in a voluntary capacity, so the Ordinance would need to be changed. Vice Chair D'Antonio said she would like to see outreach used as a method of stakeholder engagement.

Member Leadbetter said she would like the Committee to have a retreat to give the Committee time to discuss moving forward with system modeling, the needs assessment, and communications. Vice Chair D'Antonio and Member Miller spoke in support of a retreat. Member Leadbetter made a motion that the Committee will hold a retreat sometime soon to discuss the system modeling, needs assessment, and building the leadership of people with lived experience. Member Miller seconded the motion.

Dan Adams from the Mayor's PSH Acquisitions Team presented on Proposed Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) Acquisitions. The presentation slides can be found [here](#).

Vice Chair D'Antonio, Member Friedenbach, Member Reggio, Member Leadbetter spoke in enthusiastic support for the proposed PSH acquisitions.

Emily Cohen from the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (HSH) presented the Department's contracting and implementation timelines. The presentation slides can be found [here](#).

Member Friedenbach asked about the December allocation of non-SIP hotel subsidies. Emily Cohen (HSH) said the non-SIP subsidies are still in the planning process. Vice Chair D'Antonio asked for more detail on the number of people served with funds, to help translate the fund into tangible terms.

Emily Cohen invited the Committee to join the Community Meetings that are being held for each of the proposed PSH acquisition sites. Member Miller asked how the Committee can be helpful in supporting these proposed and future acquisitions. Emily Cohen described the process and emphasized that there are several more steps before the proposed acquisitions are finalized.

Wesley Saver provided public comment on behalf of Glide, the Homeless Workforce Collaborative, and the Homeless Emergency Services Provider Agency (HESPA). Wesley Saver thanked the committee for the progress made on an OCOH dashboard. He also wondered how workforce development will be tracked and encouraged the City to continue acquiring hotels for use as Permanent Supportive Housing.

Mary Kate Bacalao of Compass Family Services and HESPA provided public comment. She recognized the progress being made. She said that family providers are pleased to see new interventions for families like the OCOH flexible housing subsidy. She also clarified that the mobile

therapy intervention is being contracted to Compass through HSH.

Returning to the vote on Member Leadbetter's motion that the Committee will hold a retreat sometime soon to discuss the system modeling, needs assessment, and building the leadership of people with lived experience. Member Miller seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Member Andrews: Yes  
Vice Chair D'Antonio: Yes  
Member Friedenbach: Yes  
Member Leadbetter: Yes  
Member Miller: Yes  
Member Reggio: Yes  
Chair Williams: Absent

The motion passed.

5) Discussion Item/Possible Action:

***Proposed agenda items for subsequent meetings and Committee updates, with possible action by the Committee in response to this item.***

Vice Chair D'Antonio tabled this item and asked that Committee members send proposed agenda items to the Chair, Vice Chair, and Jessica Shimmin (Controller's Office) for consideration.

6) ***Adjourn***

The Chair asked that the meeting be dedicated to [Janice Mirikitani](#), the poet and activist who died on July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The Committee observed a moment of silence.

Member Friedenbach moved to adjourn the meeting. Vice Chair D'Antonio seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Member Andrews: Yes  
Vice Chair D'Antonio: Yes  
Member Friedenbach: Yes  
Member Leadbetter: Yes  
Member Miller: Yes  
Member Reggio: Yes  
Chair Williams: Absent

The meeting was adjourned at 11:31am.

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