

John M. Scott Health Care Commission January 2022 Meeting Minutes

Meeting Details: January 26th, 2022 via Zoom

Attendance

Commissioners Present: Karen Schmidt, Karen Stipp, Kyana Wilkinson, Colton Sylvester, Angela Chasensky, Catherine Crockett, Elaine Hardy, Adam Houghton, Judy Neubrandner, Feli Sebastian, and Brad Secord.

Staff: William Bessler (Staff Administrator) and Genevieve Rappold (Illinois State University Stevenson Fellow with the City of Bloomington)

Call to Order

Commission Chairperson and Presiding Officer Karen Schmidt called the meeting to order at 6:32PM CST and requested a roll call of Commissioners present. Staff Administrator Bessler called the role. Quorum present. Staff informed the Commission that they will reschedule Community Enhancement Division Manager Michael Sinnet's introduction.

Consent Agenda

Commissioner Secord motioned to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the staff invoice for October 2021, November 2021, and December 2021 and the Commission meeting minutes for October 2021 as presented. Commissioner Neubrandner seconded the motion. Ayes: Schmidt, Stipp, Wilkinson, Sylvester, Chasensky, Crockett, Hardy, Houghton, Neubrandner, Sebastian, and Secord. Nays: None. Motion carries.

Action Items

Approval of the Category I Applications for FY2023 Funding: Commissioner Stipp discussed the grant application decision-making process. She stated that the first Grants Committee meeting consisted of a high-level discussion, and the Grants Committee discussed applications that they believed did not meet the grant requirements. Commissioner Stipp stated that Commissioner Wilkinson led the second Grants Committee meeting. She stated that the second meeting was a deeper conversation about the applications that seemed most appropriate for the grant. Commissioner Stipp stated that, for the third meeting, the Committee worked off an Excel document created by Mr. Bessler that provided suggested funding levels based on the previous two meetings. She stated that the Grants Committee worked through each category in order.

Chairperson Schmidt stated that Sue Grant, Sally Gambacorta, and Erin Kennedy were also present for the Grants Committee meetings and provided valuable input. Commissioner

Sebastian stated that she appreciated that amount of time the Committee had to review and discuss all the applications. Commissioner Stipp further clarified that the Grants Committee also had quantitative scores to base their decisions on, but the scores generally aligned with their subjective views of the applications. Chairperson Schmidt stated that staff will be providing feedback to all applicants.

Mr. Bessler explained the voting process for the grant applications. Chairperson Schmidt asked if conflicts of interest would be an issue when voting on these items. Mr. Bessler stated that since the votes will be done on a grouped basis per category, rather than an individual application basis, then it would not be an issue. Commissioner Secord reminded the Commission that they may also choose to abstain. Commissioner Stipp asked if it was a conflict of interest for Grants Committee members to vote on these items. Mr. Bessler stated that it would not be an issue.

Commissioner Stipp motioned to approve the Category I Applications for FY2023 Funding as presented. Commissioner Sebastian seconded the motion. Ayes: Schmidt, Stipp, Wilkinson, Sylvester, Chasensky, Crockett, Hardy, Houghton, Neubrandner, Sebastian, and Secord. Nays: None. Motion carries.

Approval of the Category II-Capital Applications for FY2023 Funding: No discussion.

Commissioner Sylvester motioned to approve the Category II-Capital Applications for FY2023 Funding as presented. Commissioner Secord seconded the motion. Ayes: Schmidt, Stipp, Wilkinson, Sylvester, Chasensky, Crockett, Hardy, Houghton, Neubrandner, Sebastian, and Secord. Nays: None. Motion carries.

Approval of the Category II-Program Applications for FY2023 Funding: No discussion.

Commissioner Stipp motioned to approve the Category II-Program Applications for FY2023 Funding as presented. Commissioner Secord seconded the motion. Ayes: Schmidt, Stipp, Wilkinson, Sylvester, Chasensky, Crockett, Hardy, Houghton, Neubrandner, Sebastian, and Secord. Nays: None. Motion carries.

Approval of the FY2023 Budget Amendment: Mr. Bessler stated that this is an amendment to the FY2023 budget passed in late 2021. This amendment comes out of the Grants Committee discussions and recommendations for funding. The amendment is to adjust the funding levels for each category and does not change any administrative funding levels. Additionally, the aggregate expense and revenue numbers were not impacted.

Commissioner Sylvester motioned to approve the FY2023 Budget Amendment as presented. Commissioner Secord seconded the motion. Ayes: Schmidt, Stipp, Wilkinson, Sylvester, Chasensky, Crockett, Hardy, Houghton, Neubrandner, Sebastian, and Secord. Nays: None. Motion carries.

Discussion Items

FY2023 Funding Timeline and Process: Mr. Bessler outlined the grant process moving forward. He stated that these recommendations will go to City Council, likely their second meeting in February. Mr. Bessler stated that Chairperson Schmidt and Commissioner Stipp, as well as himself, will be present to present to City Council. He stated that other Commissioners are welcomed to attend the meeting as well. Assuming City Council approves this recommendation as presented, staff will move forward with drafting grant agreements and send those to awarded organizations. Mr. Bessler stated that there will be some changes to the current grant agreements to allow for more flexibility for the Commission. He stated that staff will also be informing all the applicants of the funding recommendations before going to Council. Mr. Bessler stated that staff will also be providing feedback to applicants. There will be a Finance Committee meeting soon as well.

Chairperson Schmidt asked if all applicants will be notified before the recommendation goes before City Council. Mr. Bessler stated that they all will.

Trust Performance Update: Mr. Bessler stated that the Trust is continuing to perform positively. He stated that the gains have not been as high as in past years.

Commissioner Secord stated that there were big gains early in the fiscal year, but gains are lower now.

Discussion of Non-Agenda Items

No discussion.

Adjournment

With no further discussion presented, Chairperson Schmidt asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Secord motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Houghton seconded the motion. Ayes: Schmidt, Stipp, Wilkinson, Sylvester, Chasensky, Crockett, Hardy, Houghton, Neubrandner, Sebastian, and Secord. Nays: None. Motion carries.

Meeting adjourned at 7:02PM CST.