

Minutes 8.15.17

## Shelter and Housing sub Committee of VSSTF

Present: Ron Mulvihill, chair, Kate Mills, Judy Alexandre, Steven Karnazes, Sandra Troxell, Karol Schulkin

1. Called to order by Ron Mulvihill
2. Judy shared information from the Measure O committee meeting. Staff presented their wish list. No money is recommended to be going toward sheltering or housing until 2020. Only the park ambassadors (205,000) and increased money for clean up of debris and encampments (50,000). After venting frustration, anger, concern an action plan was devised.
3. Action Plan:
  - a) Karol will advise the Stakeholder committee
  - b) Judy will share with the faith community via Rabbi Lisa and the faith sub-committee of VSSTF (email sent to make contact with Rabbi Lisa)
  - c) Sandra will let the agencies know
  - d) Kate and Ron will work on an op ed
  - e) Steven, Karol and Sandra will speak during the open mic time on 9/11/17
  - f) Judy will talk with mayor Naserenko (initial contact made...meeting to be set)
  - g) Judy will contact Lift up your Voice to help increase awareness. (DONE) To have the photos available please contact Kent Brinkmeyer [kentbrinkmeyer@gmail.com](mailto:kentbrinkmeyer@gmail.com).
  - h) Judy to contact local colleges to see if the art/soc depts. Will do an awareness project. (Contact is in process)
  - i) All are to write letters to the editor
  - j) Contact members of the measure O committee, and go to the next meeting. As of 9/18/17 the meeting date and location had not been posted.
  - k) Tell the history of VSSTF and of the 25 years of effort to get a shelter with services in the city and to build very affordable and extremely affordable housing.
  - l) Develop a sinking fund for sheltering and housing
  - m) Develop slogans: people before alleys; streets before souls
  - n) Consider a poster contest to build public awareness
  - o) See if we could use the WAVE (Sandra?)
  - p) Check with Bell Arts (Kate)
  - q) Items h,m,n,o and p may work together.

Note all of the above will need to be approved by VSSTF at its Sept. 6, 2017 meeting. As individual all can do as they please. If action is connected with VSSTF, then will need to wait for approval. No doubt it will be approved.

We want to emphasize the need to think more creatively (reserve officers, other funding to support fire station [should be in regular budget, not measure O]).

4. The above will be on the VSSTF agenda for action on 9/6/17

5. Encourage people to attend the COC board meeting on Sept 13, 1:00 pm; Ventura County Community Foundation bldg....4001 Mission Oaks Blvd, Camarillo and the City Council of Ventura, homeless and Housing committee on Sept. 13, 4:00 pm City Hall. The latter is a public meeting and there will be time for public comments.
6. Next meeting is Sept. 19, 3:00 pm at Orchard Community Church library

Submitted by

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