Human Services Committee July 29, 2019

Meeting Minutes

The meeting was held in the City Hall, Room 316.

Present: Frank Franz, Suzanne Levy, Carolyn Sutterfield, Jocelyn Rappaport, Diane Tuninga, Anita Light, Alexandra Gardner (new member) and staff liaison Lesley Abashian

Absent: Deborah DiFalco, Andrew Wankum, Dorothy Sorrell, Sandra Sale and Judy Turcott

Committee members welcomed new member Alexandra Gardner (at-large member)

The members present reported on their respective committees as attached.

Other topics discussed included:

• Fall Festival (October 12)

Members will sign up in shifts for the Human Services table at this event. Lesley will distribute the sign up via email. Lesley asked for a volunteer(s) to assist with planning for the Human Services table.

Human Services Brochure

Lesley will forward an electronic copy of the Human Services brochure to committee members. Members will submit comments to Lesley. Goal is to have the brochure completed by the City's Fall Festival.

• Upcoming Council Meeting agendas

Committee members asked how they could be notified of upcoming Council Meeting agenda items that might be of interest. Lesley suggested members sign up for City Alert to receive Council Meeting notifications.

• Fairfax County Social Services Advisory Group

Mayor Meyer sent a letter to Chairperson Bulova requesting that the City have a representative on the Fairfax County Social Services Advisory Board.

Human Services Community Trainings

Members had an initial conversation about hosting human services trainings for the community. Anita Light agreed to develop a draft-training plan for review by committee members.

• Human Services Calendar

Lesley requested that members notify her of upcoming events and dates of note linked to their County committees so that the information can be shared with City residents. Discussed the merits of having a Human Services calendar on the City website or posting Human Services calendar items on an existing City calendar (such as Parks and Rec's calendar).

Upcoming Events

City of Fairfax:

Fall Festival October 12

Library:

City of Fairfax Library is accepting book donations between September 22 and 29.

Community Services Board:

Operation Medicine Cabinet Cleanout October 26

Regional Suicide Prevention Forum (SCAN) October 31

Area Agency on Aging:

AARP Carewise Resource Conference September 12

The next meeting is scheduled for January 27, 2020