

There were no comments so the floor was closed.

V. Review/Approve Minutes of April 20, 2017

The committee reviewed the minutes of April 20, 2017. A correction was noted on page 2: the sentence should read “The current budget year began April 1, 2016 and ends September 30, 2017; it is 18 months long. The committee accepted the minutes with the change noted.

Motion to accept the minutes of April 20, 2017 with the change noted.

Moved: James Ausborn

Second: Karen Alleyne

Motion:

Passed

VI. Membership

Marlen Meizoso

Marlen Meizoso reviewed the vacancy report (copy on file) and indicated Tatiana Malone was terming off in June.

VII. Standing Business

- Housing Opportunities for Persons Living with AIDS (HOPWA) Programs Update *Roberto Tazoe*

As part of the final budget for FY2017, Congress approved a budget for the HOPWA program of \$356 million, which is an increase of \$21 million from the FY 2016 budget

In preparation for the new funding cycle, the department issued a Request for Proposals for the HOPWA program in February 2017 and will be presenting the City Commission with funding recommendations for FY 2017, which runs from October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018.

The City will continue to support the Tenant Based Rental Assistance and the Project-Based Operational Support program. At this moment, however, the City of Miami cannot confirm if there will be enough funding to continue with the STRMU program, which officially ended on March 31, 2017. Once HUD releases its final figures as to the amount of funding allocated to the Miami-Dade County area, HOPWA will be able to assess if it is feasible to reopen the STRMU program.

The New Housing Opportunity Through Modernization Act of 2016 (HOTMA) makes several of its provisions effective upon enactment, which occurred on July 29, 2016. HUD’s CDP office is preparing more detailed guidance to explain how these changes will affect FY2017 funding for HOPWA. This requires HUD to issue regulations in order to exercise discretion regarding reallocation, so funds will be distributed by formula, and HUD is developing those regulations.

There will be a 5% reduction in HOPWA funding from what was received last year (11,561,671), approximately \$578,000.

As such, HOPWA is still serving client 225 and will continue forward with the program in its current state until more information on the funding is available.

- Follow-up Steps with PHS Presentation

Marlen Meizoso read the PHCD CFO Discussion Regarding County Resources (copy on file). The committee had been tasked to review the document and select a few items to focus on for specific follow-up. Ms. Apfel stated that all the issues should be addressed. There is land on which development could take place, but the ownership of the land needs to be identified. It is important to get leadership to create a method by which to accomplish affordable housing. Surtax could be a possible way to fund. On June 6

at 9:30 a.m., the Board of County Commissioners is reviewing and approving the Mayor's Getting to Zero Task Force report. It was suggested that before moving forward to wait on the results of the vote, since recommendations may be offered. A Getting to Zero Taskforce Update will be provided at the next meeting.

VIII. New Business

None.

IX. Announcements

Staff reviewed the new to care clients report for February, needs assessment flyer, and changes to the June and July calendar (copies on file)

X. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be July 20, 2017 at the Edison Neighborhood Service Center.

XI. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn.

Moved: James Ausborn

Second: Pauline Clarke-Trotman

Motion: Passed

The meeting ended at 3:21 p.m.