

City of San Diego
Clean Syringe Exchange Program Facilitation Committee
September 2, 2004

12:00 p.m.
Civic Center Plaza
1200 Third Avenue, 9th Floor Conference Room
San Diego, CA

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the chair at 12:10 p.m.

Members Present:

Jim Dunford
Kathy Evans-Calderwood
Mike Franz
Staajabu Heshimu, Alternate for Debra Fischle-Faulk
Sandy Keaton, Alternate for Cynthia Burke
Robert Lewis, Alternate for Fran Butler-Cohen
Linda Lloyd
Michael Powers
Cesar Solis
Leslie Wade

Staff Present:

Lisa Foster
Staajabu Heshimu

Guests Present:

Lora Folsom
Vicki Granowitz
Joel Harrison
Jeanine Hillis
Adrian Kwiatkowski
Chrystal Martinez
Jim Varnadore
Larry Westfall

2. Self-Introductions

Dr. Dunford asked for self-introductions of those present.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of August 5, 2004

The minutes were approved as written and will be posted to the City website.

5. Status Reports

- a. Family Health Centers of San Diego –Bob Lewis
Mr. Lewis asked that anyone not receiving the weekly statistical report via email please contact him. He had no other report.
- b. San Diego Police Department – Lt. Cesar Solis
Lt. Solis said that all was quiet and he had no report.
- c. City Manager’s Office – Staajabu Heshimu
Ms. Heshimu said that if the Committee completes the recommendations today, we could possibly make the October 6 Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee meeting; if not, we should be ready to present on November 17, which, due to the Council’s election recess, is the next scheduled meeting.
- d. City Attorney’s Office – Lisa Foster
Ms. Foster said the most recent version of the draft Ordinance had been sent by email; she distributed hard copy versions to those who requested them. She suggested the Committee review the recommendations along side the draft Ordinance.

4. Formulation of Recommendations to City Council

Jeanine Hillis of the City’s Organizational Effectiveness Program facilitated the continued discussion. She described how the categories of recommendations were grouped and ordered and suggested the Committee look at each recommendation, find out what the person who made the recommendation meant, have discussion and then zone in on a final recommendation.

Mr. Varnadore suggested the Committee needed to decide on whether a mobile only, fixed-site only or combination of both program is being considered. He said this was a key decision to discussing other program elements. Dr. Dunford polled Committee members, finding that most favor the flexibility of both mobile and fixed-site.

Discussion ensued on the recommendations in two categories – Political Ownership and Other Issues, and Operational Changes, with the other two categories to be completed at the next meeting.

6. Roundtable/Public Comment

Ms. Wade noted that crime stats in East Village were being held against the application for a new liquor license and might well be held against the CSEP as well.

Dr. Harrison asked if multifamily units were considered residential or commercial. Staff also distributed a suggestion from Dr. Harrison regarding collecting and using client address data (not currently collected) to better justify siting new programs.

Ms. Evans-Calderwood introduced a book, *NIMBY, A Primer for Lawyers and Advocates* published by the American Bar Association which she suggested might have been a resource for the Committee.

Lt. Solis asked that his strong objection to increasing the number of syringes that can be exchanged be reflected in the minutes, especially his objection to giving more than two syringes to first-time clients (without an exchange).

Mr. Varnadore was applauded for hosting lunch.

7. Next Meeting

The next meeting is September 16, 2004, a special meeting called to complete discussion on the recommendations.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:10 p.m.