

City & County of San Francisco Homelessness Oversight Commission (HOC) May 7, 2026 Meeting Minutes



Meeting Date: Thursday, May 7, 2026 Meeting Time: 9:00 AM
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place Room 416, City Hall

Commission Members:

Katie Albright (Chair)
Obai Rambo (Vice Chair)
Dontaye Ball
Bevan Dufty
Joaquin Guerrero
Sharky Laguana
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Shireen McSpadden,

Executive Director
Department of Homelessness
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Commission Secretary

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Meeting Minutes

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ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1) CALL TO ORDER

Chair Albright called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM. and read the Ramaytush Oholone Land Acknowledgement

2) ROLL CALL

Present:

Katie Albright (Chair)
Obai Rambo (Vice Chair)
Dontaye Ball
Bevan Dufty

Excused:

Joaquin Guerrero
Sharky Laguana
Thomas Rocca

The Homelessness and Supportive Housing Executive Director, Shireen McSpadden was present.

3) ANNOUNCEMENTS REGARDING SOUND PRODUCING DEVICES DURING THE MEETING

The Commission Secretary made the prohibition of sound producing devices announcement.

4) ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHAIR

Chair Albright welcomed attendees and recognized May as Foster Care Awareness Month and Mental Health Awareness Month. The Chair noted the strong connection between foster care involvement, mental health challenges, housing instability, and homelessness, and reaffirmed the Commission’s commitment to advancing trauma-informed care and supportive services.

The Chair also expressed appreciation for the providers, advocates, public servants, caregivers, and individuals with lived experience who work each day to support the community.

5) COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Commissioner announcements.

6) &7) APPROVAL OF APRIL 2, and APRIL 7, 2026 HOC MEETING MINUTES

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment

On motion to approve the April 2, and April 7, 2026, HOC meeting minutes.

AYES:

Katie Albright (Chair)
Obai Rambo (Vice Chair)
Dontaye Ball
Bevan Dufty

Excused:

Joaquin Guerrero
Sharky Laguana
Thomas Rocca

Action: April 2, and April 7, 2026, minutes were adopted.

8) EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

Executive Director McSpadden and the HOC recognized Danita Feguson, Tina Brown, and Jessica Camilli from HSH’s Housing Access Team (HAT). The Executive Director McSpadden thanked Danita, Tina, and Jesscia for their continued dedication to the Department’s mission of making homelessness a rare, brief, and one-time experience.

9) DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Executive Director McSpadden announced, recognized, and thanked Del Seymour for his many years of service on the Local Homeless Coordinating Board. She acknowledged his lived experience, strong Tenderloin community ties, and commitment to advancing dignity and opportunity. The Executive Director expressed gratitude for Del’s leadership, advocacy, and lasting contributions, and invited attendees to join her in thanking him for his service.

Next, the Executive Director recognized Dar Kayhan for more than 20 years of service to San Francisco and his contributions to addressing homelessness. Dar’s work helped shape major initiatives, including Project Homeless Connect, SF HOT, Care Not Cash, and the Hotel Master Lease Program. Executive Director McSpadden thanked Dar for his leadership at HSH and wished him well in his retirement.

Executive Director McSpadden presented the Home by the Bay Family Addendum, a supplement to San Francisco's five-year strategic plan focused on families experiencing or at risk of homelessness. She reported that the addendum was developed through a community engagement process involving service providers, public agencies, advocates, and families with lived experience. The plan identified six strategic priorities, including homelessness prevention, housing access, wraparound services, and improved system coordination, and was designed to operationalize the broader Home by the Bay framework for families.

Executive Director McSpadden then provided an overview of youth and transitional-age youth (TAY) homelessness. She highlighted data showing that youth remained disproportionately represented among people experiencing homelessness for the first time and emphasized the importance of prevention and early intervention. She also reviewed youth system outcomes and summarized the City's TAY investments, including funding for shelter, rapid re-housing, permanent housing, and homelessness prevention programs.

Executive Director McSpadden moved on to programmatic updates and presented new performance metrics aligned with the Home by the Bay strategic plan. She stated that the measures tracked key system outcomes, including exits from homelessness, Coordinated Entry assessments and referrals, the time between housing prioritization and move-in, homelessness prevention assistance, street outreach activities, Housing Problem Solving outcomes, shelter utilization, and placements into permanent supportive housing and rapid re-housing. She said the metrics were intended to improve accountability, measure system performance, and identify opportunities to strengthen service delivery and housing outcomes.

Executive Director McSpadden also reported on the status of the site-based supportive housing portfolio. As of April 20, 2026, the portfolio had an 8.9% vacancy rate, with 810 vacant units. Of those units, 333 had move-ins in progress, 378 were offline, and 99 were available for referral. She noted that this was the first time the number of offline units had fallen below 400, reflecting ongoing efforts to reduce vacancies and increase housing utilization.

The Executive Director moved on to additional updates beginning with the Large Vehicle Program which launched permitting in October 2025 and enforcement in November 2025. She stated that the program combined parking enforcement with outreach, case management, housing navigation, and other supportive services for households living in large vehicles. As of April 26, 2026, 115 households had exited to shelter or housing, and 215 vehicle owners held active permits. She noted that the City also offered housing search assistance and a vehicle buyback program for participants moving into permanent housing.

Next presented was the shelter waitlist metrics for adults and families, including waitlist totals, placements, and average wait times. She stated that the data would help track shelter demand, access, and system responsiveness over time.

Executive Director McSpadden reported that the City was transitioning street-team operations to the Department of Public Health (DPH) effective July 1, 2026. She said the change was intended to better integrate outreach with behavioral health, substance use treatment, medical care, and ongoing case

management. She noted that 12 HSH staff positions and three contracts would move to DPH, while HSH would remain responsible for shelter and housing services.

The Executive Director provided a legislative update, noting that HSH had introduced resolutions to continue services at several shelter, supportive housing, and hotel programs. She also reported that proposed amendments to the “Drug-Free PSH” ordinance had advanced from committee and that HSH was monitoring potential impacts on the permanent supportive housing portfolio. In addition, she stated that HUD had announced changes to its Continuum of Care funding priorities and that HSH would continue monitoring federal guidance closely.

Next, was a contract renewal update. HSH had ten contract renewals pending, including agreements supporting the Flexible Housing Subsidy Pool, permanent supportive housing programs, and a navigation center.

Regarding human resources, Executive Director McSpadden stated that HSH had 247.5 full-time equivalent positions and 14 vacancies. She noted that several previously frozen positions had recently reopened for recruitment and that staffing levels would continue to be monitored as part of the department’s operational capacity.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Lukas Illa-a District 9 resident and organizer with the Coalition on Homelessness, commented on the Large Vehicle Refuge Permit Program and acknowledged reported positive outcomes while raising concern about the impact of vehicle tows. Lukas stated that tow data indicated households had been left without shelter or housing options and urged consideration of enforcement impacts alongside program results. He also raised concern that rapid re-housing placements, particularly for families, were frequently occurring outside San Francisco, which he said disrupted community ties and access to local supports.

Marnie Regen-of Larkin Street Services, thanked staff for the presentation and emphasized the importance of recognizing the unique needs of young people. Marnie stated that FY 2026–27 priorities should focus on improving exits from supportive housing through housing ladder subsidies, while also expanding food security and workforce supports in response to federal SNAP changes and high unemployment among young adults. She further stated that prevention remained the most effective intervention and urged continued investment in prevention programs, including direct cash transfers, to keep youth from entering the homelessness response system.

Sherilyn Adams-of Larkin Street Youth Services thanked staff for the presentation and acknowledged the work of the Executive Director and partners in advancing the TAY addendum and continued focus on youth homelessness. Sherilyn emphasized the need for strong investment in prevention, noting the completion of a citywide youth homelessness prevention plan that includes a direct cash transfer program, and called for expanding these efforts. She also stated the importance of strengthening exits from permanent supportive housing and investing in workforce development and food security for young people.

Dr. Megan Rohrer- of Compass Family Services thanked staff for the report and emphasized the importance of accurate and meaningful data reporting on family shelter waitlists. Dr. Rohrer noted that the current average wait time metrics may not fully reflect the actual time families spend waiting due to system re-entry, list removals, and placement disruptions, and urged refinement of the methodology to provide a more accurate estimate of wait times. Dr. Rohrer also stated that improved data would help families better understand expected wait periods and support more informed decision-making while awaiting shelter placement.

Charles Pitt-thanked Dar and Del Seymour for their years of service with helping people out. Charles stated that the meaning of life is what you build and who you help.

Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Dufty-asked the Executive Director for an update on the status of the Open Door Legal organization's request.

Vice Chair Rambo-questioned the status of a potential permanent site solution for RV residents and where individuals exiting RVs are being placed. The Vice Chair further asked what barriers may be preventing some households from transitioning into more permanent housing and how placements are distributed across the City.

Commissioner Ball-emphasized the importance of focusing on transitional-age youth, noting his experience mentoring young people and the need to support youth stability through employment opportunities and partnerships with other agencies. The Commissioner also requested updates on relationship-building efforts with the Produce Market regarding RV-related concerns and the progress of placements in that area.

Chair Albright-expressed appreciation for the presentation on family homelessness and transitional-age youth homelessness and reflected on remarks about the impact of homelessness on children. The Chair asked for additional insight into the Mayor's budget process and the key considerations currently being evaluated to address family homelessness.

10) CONSENT CALENDAR

ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THIS ITEM CONSTITUTE A CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE HOMELESS OVERSIGHT COMMISSION AND WILL BE ACTED UPON BY A SINGLE ROLL CALL VOTE OF THE COMMISSION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS UNLESS A MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION REQUESTS DISCUSSION, IN WHICH EVENT THE MATTER SHALL BE

REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSIDERED AS A SEPARATE AGENDA ITEM. APPROVAL IS REQUESTED

- A) Requesting to amend the existing agreement contract agreement with St. Vincent de Paul for Division Circle Navigation Center, for the period of July 1,2025 to June 30, 2029, in an additional amount of 24,105,381 plus a 20% contingency for a revised amount of \$37,091,971.

- B) Requesting to enter into a new contract agreement with St. Vincent de Paul for MSC South Shelter, for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2029, in the amount of \$35,507,789, which includes a 15% contingency.

- C) Requesting to amend the existing grant agreement with Tenderloin Housing Clinic, Inc. for the Crown, National & Winton Hotels program, for the period of July 1, 2021 to December 31, 2027, in an additional amount of \$10,558,265 plus a 20% contingency for a revised amount of \$42,532,462.

- D) Requesting to amend the existing grant agreement with Tenderloin Housing Clinic, Inc. for the Master Lease Hotels program, for the period of July 1, 2020 to December 31, 2027, in an additional amount of \$67,001,903 plus a 20% contingency for a revised amount of \$303,609,319.

- E) Requesting to amend the existing contract with DISH SF for the Property Management at Six Buildings program, for the period of July 1, 2025 to December 31, 2027, in an additional amount of \$13,370,309 plus a 20% contingency for a revised amount of \$25,361,109.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment

On motion to approve the Consent Calendar 10A through 10E

AYES:

- Katie Albright (Chair)
- Obai Rambo (Vice Chair)
- Dontaye Ball
- Bevan Dufty

Excused:

- Joaquin Guerrero
- Sharky Laguana
- Thomas Rocca

Action: Consent Calendar was approved.

11) OLD BUSINESS

No old business

12) NEW BUSINESS

- A) Requesting review and approval to enter into a new grant agreement with San Francisco Pretrial Diversion Project for the Housing, Expungement and Recovery through Treatment & Support Services (HEARTTSS) program, for the period of June 1, 2026 to June 30, 2028 in the amount of \$1,363,590, which includes a \$227,265 contingency. HSH staff , Megan Owens presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

On motion to approve Item 12A

AYES:

Katie Albright (Chair)
Obai Rambo (Vice Chair)
Dontaye Ball
Bevan Dufty

Excused:

Joaquin Guerrero
Sharky Laguana
Thomas Rocca

Action: Item 12A was approved.

- B) Requesting review and approval to enter into a new grant agreement with First Place for Youth , for the TAY Transitional Housing Program - Plus, for the period of July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2029 in the amount of \$8,372,160, which includes a 20% contingency. HSH staff, Louis Bracco, presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Matt Lee-highlighted the importance of serving both parenting and non-parenting youth and noted that specialized services are provided across multiple regions, including San Francisco, Alameda County, Los Angeles, and other states. He explained that the program offers a baby bonding curriculum for new and expecting parents, trains staff

to support young families and prioritizes housing placements that provide adequate space for parents and their children.

On motion to approve Item 12B

AYES:

Katie Albright (Chair)
Obai Rambo (Vice Chair)
Dontaye Ball
Bevan Dufty

Excused:

Joaquin Guerrero
Sharky Laguana
Thomas Rocca

Action: Item 12B was approved.

- C) Requesting review and approval to enter into a new grant agreement with First Place for Youth for the TAY Transitional Living Program, for the period of July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2031 in the amount of \$8,424,000, which includes a 20% contingency. HSH staff, Louis Bracco, presented the item.

On motion to approve Item 12C

AYES:

Katie Albright (Chair)
Obai Rambo (Vice Chair)
Dontaye Ball
Bevan Dufty

Excused:

Joaquin Guerrero
Sharky Laguana
Thomas Rocca

Action: Item 12C was approved.

13) **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

Marnie Regen stated that family homelessness remains a critical issue and emphasized the importance of ensuring that no child has to experience the uncertainty of not knowing where they will sleep at night. She expressed appreciation for the Department's efforts to address family homelessness and acknowledged the challenges involved in meeting the needs of vulnerable families. Marnie also

encouraged continued investment and focus on services and housing solutions that support families experiencing homelessness.

Cody Keene- Public Policy Manager with the Supportive Housing Provider Network, stated that the Network’s Resident Advisory Board was created to elevate the voices of permanent supportive housing tenants and ensure their perspectives are centered in policy and program discussions. He announced the first annual Tenant Empowerment Week, which will bring tenants together with city officials, departments, and tenant councils to advocate for the needs of residents across the permanent supportive housing portfolio. Cody invited Commissioners to participate in the events taking place June 15 through June 18, and encouraged engagement with tenants as the housing system undergoes significant changes.

Lauren Hall-Co-CEO of DISH and Co-Chair of the Supportive Housing Provider Network, thanked Commissioners Ball and Rambo for touring supportive housing sites and emphasized the importance of highlighting the successes and positive outcomes occurring within supportive housing programs. She also recognized Janine Jackson for her leadership at HomeRise, noting the challenges facing nonprofit service providers and expressing appreciation for her efforts to strengthen the organization amid broader sector-wide difficulties. Lauren Hall concluded by publicly thanking Director McSpadden for her leadership, grace, and dedication to the community, acknowledging the significant impact of her service in a challenging role.

Charles Pitt- commented that the font size used in the meeting documents was too small and difficult to read and recommended using a larger font size, such as 12-point font, consistent with California court document standards. He also requested that future meeting documents include page numbers to improve accessibility and ease of reference.

14) NOMINATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Commissioner Ball provided a detailed report on the Nomination Committee meeting held on April 30, 2026. He announced that Commissioner Guerrero will serve as Chair of the Committee moving forward, with Commissioner Ball serving as Vice Chair. Commissioner Ball further reported that the Committee reviewed and vetted three candidates and voted to recommend their appointments to the advisory bodies listed below to the full Commission.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

On motion to approve:

- Mark Julian Talusan Subido, Shelter Grievance Advisory Committee (Seat 9)
- Ijlal Imran, Shelter Monitoring Committee (Seat 4)
- Bahlam Javier Vigil, Local Homeless Coordinating Board (Seat 8)

AYES:

Katie Albright (Chair)
Obai Rambo (Vice Chair)

Dontaye Ball
Bevan Dufty

Excused:

Joaquin Guerrero
Sharky Laguana
Thomas Rocca

Action: All three candidates approved.

15) DATA OFFICER REPORT

Commissioner Guerrero-will present a data report during the June 4, HOC meeting

16) GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

(Continued if needed)

No public comment

17) COMMISSION MATTERS:

Chair Albright-reminded Commissioners and members of the public that the Homelessness Oversight Commission will be in recess during the month of July and will resume its regular meetings on August 6, 2026.

Commissioner Ball- highlighted the challenges of the work and its impact on many individuals, particularly those experiencing transitional-age homelessness. The Commissioner emphasized that society has an obligation to support youth as one of the most vulnerable populations and reflected on his experience working with young people through Job Corps, noting how critical such programs can be for preventing homelessness. Commissioner Ball encouraged the Commission to think creatively and proactively about how to better support and protect youth through targeted resources and interventions to help keep them safely housed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

18) ADJOURN

The Chair-adjourned the meeting at 11:25 AM

Respectfully submitted,

Bridget Badasow
Commission Secretary

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