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CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

SOCIAL SERVICE GRANTS COMMITTEE

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Date: March 26, 2021

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: This meeting was held exclusively virtually via Zoom.

Committee members present: Councilmembers Karen Hiller, Christina Valdivia-Alcalá, Tony Emerson

City staff present: Corrie Wright (DNR), Rachele Vega-Retana (DNR), City Manager Brent Trout, Bill Cochran (Chief of Staff)

1) Call to Order

Chairwoman Hiller called the meeting to order at 10:00am, and described the goal of this meeting. Committee members, City Staff, and United Way staff introduced themselves.

2) Elect 2021 Committee Chair

Committee member Valdivia-Alcalá made a motion to nominate Committee member Hiller to serve as the 2021 chair. Committee member Emerson seconded the motion. Committee member Hiller accepted the nomination. Motion approved 3:0. Councilmember Hiller will serve as the 2021 SSG Committee Chair.

3) Review Timeline

Chairwoman Hiller noted Committee member Emerson has served on the SSG Committee previously, however had not been part of the committee this past year. She wanted to ensure the committee understood the timeline for the 2022 grant cycle process, and to make sure to address any questions or concerns.

Committee member Emerson stated he would review the minutes and video of the December 14, 2020 meeting. Committee member Valdivia-Alcalá stated she did not have further questions at this time. City Staff and United Way staff also noted they did not have further questions or comment.

Chairwoman Hiller stated she would like to find consensus on future meeting dates, based on the dates placed on the adopted calendar. [2022 Process Timeline can be found on the committee's webpage:

<https://www.topeka.org/citycouncil/social-service-grants/>

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Minutes Taken: 3/26/2021

Minutes Approved: As per Governing Body Rule 8.10, Chairwoman Karen Hiller approved the minutes on 3/26/2021.

Chairwoman Hiller noted she would be confirming the tentative schedule with the City Council Assistant.

4) Other Items

City Manager Brent Trout noted there had been some inquiry from the committee regarding the agencies that have been contracted through the Topeka Police Department. He will be meeting with staff to review if any of those agencies would be eligible to apply for the Social Service Grants, and would provide that information to the committee members.

5) Adjourn

Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:20am.

Meeting video can be viewed at: <https://youtu.be/2j2qcwoxgwg>