



LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE City of Chico/County of Butte



Minutes of February 1, 2017

Members present: Fillmer, Kirk, Sorensen, Wahl

Members absent: Morgan

1. Approved Minutes of August 3, 2016

Motion: Kirk Second: Fillmer (4/0/1)

2. Septage Pond Facility - Update

(Paul Hahn, Butte County Chief Administrative Officer; Mark Orme, Chico City Manager)

Hahn stated that the County was researching the closing of the septage ponds at the landfill but has identified an interim plan. For the next three to five years the septage will be trucked to a facility in Rocklin while the County looks at replacing the ponds at the landfill. There will be an increase in cost of septage disposal for residents. The rate is now \$0.15 and will go up somewhere between \$0.24 and \$0.30. Hahn thanked the City for its cooperation in arriving at this interim solution.

3. Sewer Trunk Replacement Project (River Road) – Status Update

(Mark Orme, Chico City Manager)

Matt Thompson, City Associate Civil Engineer, advised that the River Road trunk lines that are being replaced were built in 1902 and 1929. The replacement will combine flows into one new 24" pipe. Bids will be opened next week. The construction period is anticipated to be 100 days. To ensure the construction will not interfere with harvest, the project includes a provision for a 90-day blackout period if the construction does extend into harvest time.

4. Nitrate Compliance Program - Update

(Matt Thompson, City Associate Civil Engineer and Casey Hatcher, Butte County Economic and Community Development Manager)

Thompson advised that the nitrate compliance program is substantially on its way to completion. Progress has been made on 3S (Oaklawn/Stewart/Warner). 2S is the major area of focus (West Vecino Area) and will be broken into two construction projects to keep contracts under \$2 million and local. Approval to advertise is expected next month with construction to start this summer and completion this time next year. Design work for 3N, the last phase, is next. There is a schedule discrepancy because the schedule showed work starting before the agreement was signed which automatically put the project a year behind however the project is still on a 10-year construction timeline and scheduled to be fully complete by Dec 31, 2018.

Hatcher advised that due to lower construction costs, and the resulting savings, there may be the ability to run additional pipe. Staff will evaluate and look at recommendations. The most recently completed phase (Oaklawn) is in the County and voluntary connection can be facilitated with the County loan pool. They have received a lot of interest from the avenues area to be informed before construction and will be reaching out to them. The track taken to comply with the Prohibition Order has been to facilitate voluntary connection. The Regional Water Board is taking a new direction on how exemptions apply to new development. Staff is working with them because the shift doesn't see an exemption applying to new development, particularly non-residential.

5. Focused Homelessness Discussion

(Paul Hahn, Butte County Chief Administrative Officer; Mark Orme, Chico City Manager)

a. Review of “Chico Reducing Homelessness” Presentation - Laura Cootsona, Executive Director, The Jesus Center

Cootsona advised that the presentation was developed at the request of Vice Mayor Fillmer to identify what is being done to address homelessness. Cootsona stated that homelessness is making a significant impact on the vitality of Chico and is a complex challenge. It is a human, economic and community crisis. A lot was accomplished in 2016 such as Project Homeless Connect, a visit by Robert Marbut, who will be here again on Friday to work with the Torres Shelter and Jesus Center, a visit by Lloyd Pendleton, reorganization of the Greater Chico Homeless Task Force, Valley View Apartments and Chico Holidays Together. The Continuum of Care (CoC) received federal and state funding and the City Plaza restrooms were opened 24 hour hours a day. There are many involved in the conversation including the County, City, private developers, DCBA, Team Chico, and the Chamber. The strength of collaboration is the diverse groups working on solutions. Each will do what they are best at doing. It is critical to continue to work to define the issues together. Quality data collection is needed to analyze and then apply. Many providers, including the hospital, want to be involved in the collection of data. Last week the Point in Time Census was conducted with the Jesus Center as one of the hubs. Folks were forthcoming about their story and all 200 volunteers in the county are now ambassadors. We need to continue to educate ourselves about what the issues really are. The collected data will need to be turned into action plans that can be tested and measured.

Reducing the impact of homelessness includes an increase in housing stock of all kinds, a systematic way of identifying who is doing what, who is the expert, addressing mental health – funding – 5150 process – the role of the Police Department and hospital. Often mental health issues are addressed by the Police Department which is expensive and officers are not necessarily the best trained. Mental health services are going to be a focal area. Economic vitality also goes hand in hand with reducing the impact of homelessness.

Collaborative – service provider driven – entrepreneurial: build/measure/learn. Collaboration is hard. Service providers are the experts and include Behavioral Health and the Housing Authority. We need to be entrepreneurial and flexible, change up funding models, try out solutions – take quicker action – trial and error – if it doesn't work we learn.

A partnership with the County and cities to fund the CoC Coordinator position is needed. The coordinator is required in order to be eligible for federal funding. The position will help collect and analyze the data, entertain and support a range of creative housing solutions, something like a managed campground with rules and a management structure, no threshold of cost or barriers, and allow for regular education and presentations on homelessness.

b. Role of the LGC

Hahn explained that the Local Government Committee is not a policy/decision making body but is a great forum for leaders to talk about issues. From a County perspective issues are throughout the county not just focused on Chico. There is already a structure set up to address the homeless issue and that is the CoC – it is what HUD recognizes – that may be the best organization to focus the discussion on. The coordinator position is key to getting federal as well as state dollars. The need is for \$80,000 - \$100,000 to fund the coordinator position – all cities in the county should get together and see if they can come up with the funding. The discussions need greater elected representation on CoC Council. Elected officials can bring a better focus, make things happen, County employment/social services can come up with a good chunk of the money with additional dollars needed from city managers.

Vice Mayor Fillmer advised that the City wants to do something and needs County collaboration on the problem even if other cities in the county choose not to help. Hahn advised cities have

been receptive to addressing the problem but lack funding and staff. Fillmer said it is very helpful to all know what is happening and figure out what resources we do have.

c. Continuum of Care (CoC)

i. CoC Role and Design

Tom Tenorio, Executive Director, Community Action Agency of Butte County, Inc. (CAA), advised they were the first grantee of HUD CoC funding in 2004. CAA took it upon itself to plan to reconstitute the CoC in 2009. CAA is the lead agency with lots of volunteers. CoC funding is comprised of HUD continuum of care dollars.

It is all they can do to stay on top of all the growing funding requirements. There has been a shift in federal philosophy and there is a need to stay on top of these kinds of shifts. CoC's main focus is coordination, data collection and policy. There are a mix of services available. A coordinated entry system to target the most vulnerable individuals is the newest effort to galvanize, along with a common assessment tool, common database (100 individuals ranked by vulnerability). The coordinated entry committee is being piloting in Chico and is made up of various agencies. Everyone has access to the data. The most vulnerable get referred to the next available bed. There are 11 different agencies participating and there are 16 projects funded from five different funding streams. There is a need to expand the number of seats on the CoC Council for government representatives.

Kirk asked if some of the funding can be used to pay for the CoC Coordinator position. Tenorio said the money does not go through CoC, the CoC simply ranks proposals for receipt of funding, actual funding is through HUD. Sorensen asked if it is typical that those making up CoCs are also those receiving the funds. Tenorio said yes, it is made up of stakeholders and results have been positive but can be better. Sorensen sees benefit to having broader CoC membership.

Brad Montgomery, Executive Director, Torres Community Shelter, asked about expectations for CoC to continue to evolve and change. Tenorio said one of the challenges is that it is tough for volunteers to stay on top of funding requirements.

Fillmer asked if there were a CoC Coordinator will it increase the amount of funding and Tenorio said funding may stay the same but they are hopeful that it would increase.

Ed Mayer, Executive Director, Housing Authority of the County of Butte (HACB), advised that HACB is of service to the community as a neutral public entity to administer funds. HACB serves 3100 households throughout the county. The HACB Board has said it is not a front line agency but we have a problem – response to homelessness – HACB is in charge of bringing together complex requirements and coordinating activities of service providers. The CoC Coordinator position is required by HUD – previously they operating under the old McKinney Act with local communities in charge of how projects were prioritized. With the Heath Act the federal government is now taking a very active role and is driving best practices. The Heath Act's prescriptive nature upped the requirements to that of a full time coordinator and funding the coordinator position is a local responsibility.

The coordinated entry system will save the community money and is compassionate. As beds/services become available they are delivered to those with the highest needs. If the community does not come forward to fund the CoC Coordinator position, then that work falls to HACB. Other sources of funding are also now requiring a functional CoC Coordinator and a countywide funding stream is needed to optimize the funding potential. Fillmer asked about the CoC Coordinator salary. Mayer said they are recommending a staffer rather than a consultant because the applications are enormously complex and there is a need for continuity and professionalism. Currently they are presuming that HCAB will house the coordinator but it's a decision of the CoC. Filler asked, if housed at HACB, who

would oversee them. Mayer said he would supervise the coordinator along with Tenorio. It will be an ombudsmen type position and will act independently, under Mayer's supervision and accountable to the CoC Council.

Dorian Kittrell, Director, Butte County Department of Behavioral Health advised that this fiscal year Behavioral Health has devoted \$45,000 to the CoC Coordinator position, \$8,000 towards the homeless count and a tremendous amount of staff time. Behavioral Health will continue next year with another \$50,000 for the position. A lot of people working on the homeless issue. The No Place Like Home initiative requirements are significant and the CoC Coordinator position is needed. The No Place Like Home initiative is a \$2-billion-dollar redistribution of bond funds – \$1.8 billion for restoration/construction/preservation of new housing for the mentally ill with \$245 million identified for medium size counties (Butte and 14 others). The redirection of this bond funding results in a 7% (\$10mil) take and his department is cutting \$700,000 from his budget now. His department is committed to onsite/offsite supportive services for those living in this housing, it is a housing first model with wrap around services. The only way it will work is if we have a strong CoC to ensure all the compliance issues are being addressed. There is also \$200 million that is noncompetitive and Butte County is in line for \$900,000 but needs to have a project in place. These are one time dollars. Sorensen asked what he envisions the project will look like and Kittrell said this is about building permanent housing not tent cities or tiny homes. It will be a profit venture for developers. Kirk asked if you can leverage the \$900,000 and Kittrell said yes and that political leadership on CoC Council is vital. Sorensen – it is good to see potential for incremental progress. Kittrell – even if the top 10 individuals can be housed it would account for 50% of the problems. Fillmer – we need to start seeing results, we don't see it now but there are things happening. Kittrell – right now we need to get a handle on what is going on. Fillmer – we need someone that is a good leader in the CoC Coordinator position.

ii. Coordinator Position

Hahn said he and Orme will be meeting with the city managers in the county next week to discuss funding the CoC position. Even if the other cities don't go along with this we will do our best to do whatever we can. Fillmer asked about the current makeup of the CoC Council – Tenorio said they are looking at expanding the Council to include four or five local government representatives. Hahn said he would recommend the funding with the condition that the County has a greater say on the CoC Council because if they are contributing dollars there needs to be accountability. Orme agreed for the City as well.

Montgomery shared that the Torres Shelter is known for its capacity for 140 but that last week they served 150. If they get to the point where they must turn people away he wants it known, at the very least, that they are serving more. Both the Jesus Center and the Torres Shelter are very involved in the CoC but they are not eligible for funding. Montgomery was already on the CoC Council when the process changed. All grants have eligible activities and more and more funding sources are saying you absolutely must have a CoC Coordinator but that the grant funds cannot be used to fund the position.

6. Future Meeting Dates

May 3, 2017; August 2, 2017; November 1, 2017

7. May 3, 2017 Potential Agenda Items

To be provided to staff via email.

8. Public Comment – None

9. Adjournment 5:10 p.m.



LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE City of Chico/County of Butte



Minutes of May 3, 2017

Members present: Fillmer, Kirk, Morgan, Sorensen, Wahl

Members absent: None

1. **Approved the Minutes of February 1, 2017** – with a correction to Item 2 changing the word Rockland to Rocklin.

Motion: Kirk **Second:** Fillmer (5/0)

2. **Old Humboldt Road** – Discussion on trash/dumping concerns.

City of Chico Vice Mayor Reanette Fillmer stated a need to identify who owns what and who is responsible for what along Old Humboldt Road. It needs to be cleaned up and made safer for pedestrians and cyclist due to the illegal dumping and four-wheel drive activity that is happening. Butte County Supervisor Larry Wahl advised that there is a border and that the City and County share responsibility for cleaning up the area up. If it were cleaned more often it would be less likely to be vandalized. County Supervisor Maureen Kirk advised that the Sheriff Deputy who patrols the area, John Carrillo, looks for issues and that students and the Save the Rock Walls group also clean up the area but there is no formal policy. Butte County Chief Administrative Officer Paul Hahn & Chico City Manager Mark Orme advised they would have their public works departments look at it more regularly and that a coordinated effort could put a dent in it. Butte County Public Works Director Dennis Schmidt suggested they could also work with property owners to limit access.

3. **Chico Veterans Memorial Hall / monca Update** – Timing for Museum of Northern California Art (monca) opening.

Butte County General Services Director Grant Hunsicker advised that the County is utilizing the same contractor that monca is using for repairs to the building. The County is performing work on the water system and hazardous materials abatement. The City has granted the encroachment necessary for the sidewalk/ramp construction. President of monca, Pat Macias, showed photos of the transformation to the Committee. The museum's name, "monca," is now embossed in the cement at the front of the building and they will be pouring the walls & flat parts of the ramp next week. A state matching grant (\$75,000 in grant funds and \$75,000 matching funds from monca) is funding the work. They have been very careful in keeping historic features while making the building more contemporary. The terrazzo & wood floors have been restored and are gorgeous. A decorative gate was installed to prevent access to the basement. There is a library/research area. The veterans have their own cabinet that was donated and the veterans will change the content periodically. Macias invited everyone to come check the museum out. Admission is free to students with a student ID and to all kids, general admission is \$5.

4. **Fire Department Collaboration**

Hahn stated that the County, like the City, is facing budget difficulties. CAL FIRE is great but from a financial standpoint expenses are rising faster than revenue. He emphasized that this is not meant to be critical of CAL FIRE raises but, for the County, the situation is unsustainable. The County hired a consultant to look at alternatives. In the short-term the recommendation is to close County Fire Station 42 in Chico, make a county station into a state station, and close three stations in the foothills during the off season/winter. The County intends to keep the CAL FIRE contract now and the suggestion that the City take on financial responsibility for Station 42 was brought to the City Council at last night's meeting. The City advised it doesn't have the funds to finance Station 42. The matter will go back to the Board of Supervisors in May. Closing Station 42 will save \$700,000 - \$800,000. This is an opportunity – the fire station on Fair Street needs to be moved, the station on

the Esplanade is in bad shape – a discussion about fire station placement and how the City and County can work together in future to best provide services is now underway.

Orme commented on the professional expertise of the fire chiefs and stated that conversations are ongoing. He said that continued collaboration and coordination with the County is pivotal in finding a way to provide the same level of service with less resources. He said that the City contracted a study on city fire service and the results will be included as one of the areas of focus in the discussions. He advised that the City fire department should be staffed at 17 firefighters daily but due to finances can only staff at 14 firefighters a day. City Fire Chief Bill Hack said the City and County have been in constant communication since the late 90s related to the provision of fire services. County Fire Chief Dennis Read advised that the automatic aid agreement is being rewritten to meet the needs of both departments.

City Mayor Sean Morgan said it seems that the budgets need to be finalized before decisions can be made. Hahn said the County will know no later than end of June when the budget is adopted. It will be after the City & County are finished with the fire station closures that the fire chiefs will know what they must work with. Hahn will be recommending to the Board that it look at a special fire district for the unincorporated area of the County so it can cap costs and seed a certain amount of funding to the district, most likely with CAL FIRE providing the service, and then the district would have to deal with future increases/adjustments. This proposal would have to go through a LAFCO process. Hahn said costs are going up faster than revenue and it is an ongoing issue that must be dealt with.

Comments from the Public

Stephanie Taber advised the Committee that we should decide what we are going to do with the fire department and what we want from them, firefighting or EMT.

Loretta Torres said she remembered that Fire Chief Hack had come up with plan to triage EMT related calls and asked what happened with it. Hack said the mechanism is Priority Emergency Medical Dispatching which would reduce the medical calls that Fire goes to. CAL FIRE has implemented this method however the City police chief has advised that it would require five additional dispatchers.

Chico firefighter Ken Campbell clarified information related to the number of calls that they respond to that are medical in nature and advised that they provide some service that the ambulance companies are not legally able to do, such as pick someone up off the ground. Until a better service is available they are there.

Torres said she appreciates all firefighters but feels the contracts with ambulance drivers should be looked at to see if there is anything that can be done to change what is required of them. Orme and Hahn clarified the contracts with the ambulance providers are multi county contracts administered by a six-county entity that Supervisor Connelly sits on as the Butte County representative.

5. Continuum of Care Update – a. CoC Role/Design b. Coordinator Position

Orme advised he had been notified by Tom Tenorio, Executive Director of the Community Action Agency of Butte County, that that the Continuum of Care (CoC) Council had added positions for city/county representation. Mayor Morgan said he reached out to them to let them know that the City would like to have Vice Mayor Fillmer sit on the CoC Council. Regarding the CoC Coordinator position, the City has recommended \$40,000 in the 2017-18 budget for the position and that the County is contributing as well. Ed Mayer, Executive Director of the Housing Authority of the County of Butte, advised that the CoC Council has changed its governing charter to invite elected officials to include Chico Councilmember Fillmer, County Supervisor Teeter and City of Oroville Councilmember Draper. Butte County Behavioral Health has budgeting \$25,000 for the position and Butte County Department of Employment and Social Services (DESS) has also budgeted funding. What does this get you: a point in time count (which found a significant uptick in homelessness); a HUD homeless service application/access to funds; emergency shelter applications to state; homeless management information system database; and a coordinated entry system.

Mayor Morgan stated it's not working. He said he hears from all service providers about needing data but we are spending a lot of money on people who don't want our help. Mayer said many are so bad off they don't know they need help. For those that say we don't have the data it is simply not true. There are new subpopulations (youth and seniors), we know who we are working with and who we are delivering services to but are working in an environment that is severely underfunded.

Supervisor Kirk asked what percentage of people don't want help, 20%? Mayer said very few don't take the services, 6-12%. The most visible are the most difficult to work with and 60% have mental health issues.

Dorian Kittrell, Butte County Department of Behavioral Health Director, advised that there is also a population not seen, those that are at risk for homelessness that we keep in housing through funding and that we are looking at decreases in HUD funding that will impact this community. The CoC Coordinator position will assist in making sure the homeless situation will not get worse.

Mayer provided the following information related to successes: \$550,000 a year houses 54 individuals; housed 120 homeless veterans that are off the street and stabilized; there are 2300 homeless households; 40% of American households are one paycheck away from homelessness; more than 50% of households pay more than 50% of their paycheck for housing. These are compelling situations and we do what we can with the resources we have.

Vice Mayor Fillmer asked what other cities in the county are doing. Hahn advised that Oroville may be in to fund a share of the CoC Coordinator position and that they would know more on Friday about other three cities in the county. Paradise is concerned due to their budget issues.

Mayer advised that when the CoC first started there was funding from all five jurisdictions. Jurisdictions with the most homelessness, in order, are Chico, Oroville, and Paradise. Morgan said that the homeless come to Chico because the services are here. Mayer advised that urban areas do draw the homeless and that Chico is the largest city but that most homeless are from here or are related to someone from here. Behavioral Health & DESS cover the entire county and provide services regardless.

Hahn stated that when the cities/county talked about funding for the CoC Coordinator position they wanted a greater say at the table and that they now have that influence/voice on CoC Council so there is now an opportunity to have that accountability and a say in how the funding is spent.

Orme stated that this is the most collaboration that we've seen in a long time. It's going to continue and this time next year there will be proof as to how collaborative efforts can work.

6. Future Meeting Dates – August 2, 2017 and November 1, 2017

7. August 2, 2017 Potential Agenda Items

- a. Update on Fire Department collaboration.
- b. Report from Public Works Directors on Old Humboldt Road collaboration.

8. Public Comment – None

9. Adjournment 4:30 p.m.



LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE City of Chico/County of Butte



Minutes of August 2, 2017

Members present: Kirk, Morgan, Sorensen, Wahl

Members absent: Fillmer

1. Approved Minutes of May 3, 2017

Motion: Sorensen **Second:** Wahl (4 / 0 / 1 absent)

2. Regional Economic Development Update

Casey Hatcher, Butte County Economic Development Manager, advised that the update to the Regional Economic Development Strategy has been completed and will be going before the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday. This is the second update to the Strategy. Priority actions include coordinating with local jurisdictions to attract businesses to Butte County in key industry sectors. The focus will be on businesses and sectors that we already have here. Many of the action items are ongoing.

Butte County Supervisor Maureen Kirk asked about inclusion of the airport. Supporting regional airports is listed as a priority action under the infrastructure section as it is a critical resource for businesses. It is new in the Strategy and will be ongoing. Butte County Chief Administrative Officer Paul Hahn stated that recognizing it is a priority item for the County in the Economic Development strategy shows support for the efforts to return air service to the region.

Hatcher also provided an update on the Tourism Business Improvement District (TBID) and their launch of Explore Butte County. The shift is now away from starting the organization to supporting it. Explore Butte County was responsible for the Butte County booth at the State Fair and made some great contacts and leads. Other items being looked at include a rural wayfinding sign initiative and an ambassador education program to educate hotel and restaurant staff to assist visitors in finding things to do locally and maybe stay an extra night.

Hatcher is also starting to work with realtors, Team Chico, the City and County to identify opportunity sites within the County that can be used for business attraction.

3. Nitrate Compliance Program Update

Matt Thompson, City Associate Civil Engineer, advised that Area 3S is nearing completion and that bids will be opened for the area west of Esplanade next Thursday. In the summer of 2018 some of the more difficult areas, where septic is owned by homeowner's associations, will be addressed. This may trigger annexations in the Oaklawn/Bidwell Avenue area. Also in the summer of 2018 they will be tackling Area 3N which is located north of Eaton Road and some miscellaneous areas that didn't make it into previous plans. They will be totally done by December 31, 2018.

Hatcher stated they are starting to see more inquiries and a lot of interest/questions with regard to annexation and would not be surprised if an annexation application will come to the City soon. Homeowners associations are working directly with LAFCO. The two homeowner's associations represent the Hollybrook and Waterford neighborhoods. She advised the Committee that they will likely be hearing from these residents with questions related to fixing roads, why they are being forced to connect (which is not the case), etc.

4. Old Humboldt Road

Dennis Schmidt, Butte County Public Works Director, presented photos showing Old Humboldt Road which is a narrow road in rough condition that is about 3.5 miles in length. The westerly portion is City jurisdiction and the easterly portion is County. As a point of reference, the powerlines about midway up is where the jurisdiction changes. The road dates back to the 1860s. There is a lot of history, wagon wheel ruts carved into rock and rock walls. There is a group that is working to save the rock walls who is very active and does clean ups in the area. There are a lot of people up there who are littering, drinking, etc. and there have been wild land fires, one as recently as last month. It is a wide-open roadway and you can just drive right off the road. There are a lot of impromptu roadways into private properties. The properties are large and the property owners may be interested in helping with solutions to close off the access. The photos showed abandoned furniture, carpet pads, box of clothes, a television, etc.

Short term solutions include holding a public meeting to engage the property owners and the users of the roadway to help define the scope of the problem; install temporary trail cameras to capture license plates and identify those who are illegally dumping – Erik Gustafson, City Public Works Director – Operations & Maintenance, advised that the City has the cameras and has used them successfully elsewhere in the city; add "\$1000 Fine for Littering" signage, there currently are no signs and both City and County can do this; request additional patrols from PD/Sheriff/VIPs/STARS to get a heavier presence out there; work together do conduct cleanups; and work with property owners to close off access with fencing, gates, etc.

Longer term solutions may include CCTV surveillance. The City's jurisdiction already has light poles which can provide power but it is a little more difficult in the County area. In a meeting with Caltrans yesterday the discussion was about "complete streets." There may be an opportunity to obtain a planning grant to do something different with the road. Should it continue to be recreational for automobiles or could it be a Class I bike path to include hiking? Gustafson stated that due to its historic value it is ripe for grant funding. The Oak Valley subdivision does have a bridge planned to connect to Humboldt Road that needs to be looked into further. The challenge from City's perspective is that 60 -70 labor hours go into cleanups and roadway patching in area. Most folks up there are up to no good. The CCTV option even though there are two poles on Stilson Canyon Road that can provide power there are data retention expenses and currently no funding mechanism for this.

5. Chico Library Hours

City Councilmember Mark Sorensen asked what was happening with the Chico Library hours. Hahn advised that the County had made some reductions and that the Chico Library, beginning after Labor Day, would be closed on Mondays, like the other libraries in the county. All other hours are staying the same. The shutdown is for the foreseeable future. Supervisor Kirk asked how heavily the Chico Library was used on Mondays and Library Director Melanie Lightbody advised that Monday was probably the second or third busiest day of the week.

6. Fire Department Collaboration –and

Bill Hack, City Fire Chief advised that they have had multiple meetings since last LGC meeting. Since 1999 there has been a Mutual Aid Agreement in place and it has been utilized for three fires recently. Going forward, with the closing of Chico Fire Stations No. 3 and No. 6 and County Station 42, we should maintain status quo through the current fiscal year. It has been identified that north Chico has a gap in service and they will be moving a squad to Station No. 2 to cover. They will continue to monitor on a monthly basis and report back as needed. Supervisor Kirk asked if they have had enough resources on the fires. Butte County Fire advised the problem is the call stacking that occurs, there are not enough resources in the Chico area. For the long term the location of stations needs to be looked at. Some stations may not be located in the most ideal locations.

7. Future Meeting Dates – November 1, 2017

ITEMS ADDED AFTER THE AGENDA WAS POSTED

7.1 Everybody Healthy Body – Audrey Taylor and Jovanni Tricerri

Everybody Healthy Body (EBHB) Advisory Board member Audrey Taylor advised that EBHB is a nonprofit organization. The Board is made up of nonprofits with several advisors and Jovanni Tricerri as Project Coordinator. They have experts in land, traffic, sports, health and as a team are working together and expanding the vision of a regional complex that supports health and wellness. They are looking at a property that can accommodate a complex anchored by a Paralympic training center. Why a regional complex? We have limited land available, a deficit in facilities, and have learned from sports organizations that programming is limited for kids due to a lack of facilities. The economic impact that we are missing is \$35 to \$45 million dollars a year impact based on cities that have such places. The number one goal is to acquire property. The primary site is located south of Chico across from Estates Drive. It is 264 acres and already has the Butte Creek Ecological Preserve. The project would add another 30 acres to the Preserve with access to Butte Creek. They envision a bypass through the property from Highway 99 to Skyway and have met with Caltrans. They have completed a high level environmental and no meadowfoam found. The property's value is \$2.6 million but the owner will sell it to them for \$1.6 million. The Office of Education may partner to acquire the property and there are also donors. This has been discussed for a few years. They are collaborating with every organization you can think of. People are now coming to them and they have met with the Town of Paradise, where there was a lot of out of the box thinking, the Farm Bureau, whose land use committee loves the concept but do have two concerns: 1) induce growth; and 2) Butte Creek access, but overall, they are supportive. EBHB will do their due diligence on the environmental side. Sports Force will be doing a demand study which should be completed by mid-September. Implementation, they plan on completing the Paralympic facilities first and anticipate a 40 to 50 year build out for the whole project. They are not looking to government to fund it. It will be open to all sports and people who want to do something. The website is everybodyhealthybody.org.

CAO Hahn said that BCAG has a different view related to meadowfoam on the property. Taylor said that they understand they are taking a risk by purchasing the property before the entitlement process. Supervisor Wahl asked if there would be a convention center. Taylor advised that they want to have as many shared resources as possibility and that there has been a lot of interest from education to integrate sports, environmental and education.

7.2 Continuum of Care Update

Tom Tenorio, Chair, Butte Countywide Homeless Continuum of Care (CoC) advised that Butte County has stepped up to support CoC funding for the creation of the CoC Coordinator position and that funding agreements from the Housing Authority are being finalized. The hope is that recruitments will occur in August with the Coordinator onboard in September.

Three representatives from local government have been seated on the CoC Council: Doug Teeter, Butte County Board of Supervisors, Linda Draper City of Oroville City Council, and Reanette Fillmer, City of Chico City Council.

Stairways Funding – The issue is that a nonprofit ranked to receive grants did not execute the federal grant but did for state funding. This is the first time this has happened. There have been challenges engaging Stairways staff. The CoC Council (CoCC) is learning from this experience. HUD engages the CoCC to rate and rank organizations for funding. Representatives from HUD are working on strategies to help preserve the dollars here in Butte County. Plan A – have Stairways

sign off on transferring the dollars over to another grantee. Plan B – this is so rare even HUD Regional needs to seek guidance.

There are just under \$600,000 in Federal funds and another \$500,000 from the State of California. They are getting new organizations interested in applying for funds.

8. **November 1, 2017, Potential Agenda Items** – A request for items will be sent to the Committee when the meeting date gets closer.
9. **Public Comment** – None
10. **Adjournment** at 4:29 p.m.



LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE
City of Chico/County of Butte



NOTICE OF CANCELLATION

MEETING OF NOVEMBER 1, 2017

The November 1, 2017, Local Government Committee meeting has been cancelled. It is anticipated that the next meeting will be held February 7, 2018.