Metro Social Services Call Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes May 21, 2018

Board Members Present: William Harris, Betty Kirkland, Brandon Thompkins, Charlotte

Peacock and Phillip Orr

Board Members Absent: Michael Bradley and Steve Meinbreese

Metro Legal Advisor: Quan Poole

Commissioner Harris called the May Metro Social Services (MSS) Call Board of Commissioners meeting to order.

Quan Poole commented that at the last meeting an allegation came up that the meeting may have been closed due to the meeting announcement not being posted on the Metro calendar. Mr. Poole further stated that any decision can be ratified of a previously closed meeting if there is new discussion at the next scheduled meeting. So, it was suggested for the board to have some new discussion regarding the Homelessness Commission and the CoC.

It was also stated that the CoC met last Thursday and they voted to approve the Ordinance between the Homelessness Commission and the CoC. Depending on the outcome today the Ordinance will be filed and become effective July 3.

Commissioner Orr asked if there were any constituents, groups or people in the council that are opposed to the Ordinance in any way. Renee and Judy Tackett stated that no one is opposed to the Ordinance.

Commissioner Kirkland stated that the reason behind this Ordinance is to have a greater impact on the issue of Homelessness and Commissioner Kirkland believes that this is a good change because we believe it will make a higher impact on the issue of Homelessness.

Commissioner Kirkland also stated that the impact team will be the same staff and recast as a different team name. Lastly, Commissioner Kirkland stated regarding Governance, the homelessness effort will still remain under Metro Social Services and also to make sure things move forward, the Commission will do all we can to be serious about the issues of homelessness and focus on making a difference.

A motion was made to approve the Ordinance between the Homelessness Commission and the CoC (Continuum of Care). The motion was approved by Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Peacock and accepted unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned.