



CITY OF MISSION, KANSAS
FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.

(or immediately following 6:30 p.m. Community Development Committee)
Meeting Held Virtually via Zoom

In consideration of the COVID-19 social distancing recommendations, this meeting will be held virtually via Zoom (<https://zoom.us/join>). The public may participate with comments by using the "chat" feature, please note all statements are made visible to the group.

Information will be posted, prior to the meeting, on how to join at <https://www.missionks.org/calendar.aspx>. Please contact the Administrative Offices, 913-676-8350, with any questions or concerns.

PUBLIC HEARINGS / PUBLIC COMMENTS

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS / INFORMATIONAL ONLY

1. Mental Health Co-Responder Presentation ([page 3](#))

Representatives from Johnson County's Mental Health Co-Responder Program and Chief Madden will present information on the 2020 response statistics and other data associated with this program.

ACTION ITEMS

2. Acceptance of the February 3, 2021 Finance & Administration Committee Minutes - Audrey McClanahan ([page 9](#))

Draft minutes of the February 3, 2021 Finance and Administration Committee meeting are included for review and acceptance.

3. Rent/Mortgage Assistance Program Partnership - Laura Smith ([page 17](#))

The City has historically offered a variety of assistance programs for residents and property owners (BIG Program, Rebate, Mission Possible), but has not previously offered support for vulnerable residents who might be at risk for eviction or foreclosure. Recognizing the potential impacts of COVID-19, the Council created an Emergency Housing Relief fund for low-income Mission residents experiencing financial difficulties.

Funds were budgeted in the amount of \$15,000. Staff has researched options for program implementation, and is recommending the City partner with Catholic Charities to administer the program.

4. Racial Equity in Cities Program - Laura Smith ([page 21](#))

In February, the Council heard a presentation from Kathryn Evans of Rooted Strategy who is working with UCS to develop a pilot “Racial Equity in Cities” program. The goal of the program is to recruit 5-6 jurisdictions who will work together with UCS and their identified facilitators to accomplish a number of objectives around issues of racial equity, diversity and inclusion. Cohort members will work both individually (by city) and collectively to address these issues, to implement training, and to build in-house capacity in order to be able to continue this work into the future without the on-going support of UCS. Estimated costs to participate in the program are \$5,000-7,000.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5. Ordinance Revisions to Allow for Smoking in Tobacco Shops - Laura Smith ([page 33](#))

Councilmember Schlossmacher recently inquired about the City’s smoking ordinances and how they might interact with or accommodate smoking in a tobacco shop. Currently, Mission’s smoking regulations (Section 225.110 - 225.180) only exempt smoking in private residences that do not also serve as enclosed places of employment. Smoking regulations in Kansas are regulated via the Kansas Indoor Clean Air Act (K.S.A 21-6109 *et seq.*), and the act does provide exceptions where smoking is permitted, including in tobacco shops. The Committee will discuss the information further and determine whether revisions to the existing smoking regulations should be considered.

6. COVID Update - 2021 Operational Impacts - Laura Smith/Penn Almoney/Emily Randel ([page 42](#))

Recommendations regarding operation of the Mission Family Aquatic Center, Mission Summer Camp program and the Mission Market for the 2021 seasons will be presented. Specific COVID-19 considerations and protocols will be outlined and discussed and staff will seek Council direction and consensus on how to proceed in alignment with current public health orders and other public health considerations.

OTHER

7. Department Updates - Laura Smith

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