

Subject	Meeting Minutes Housing, Health and Human Services Committee	Date	April 15, 2020
Recorder	Kim Hendrickson	Start Time	4:00 PM
Committee Chair		End Time	5:00 PM
Committee Members	Mayor Erickson, Councilmembers Britt Livdahl, Connie Lord, David Musgrove		
Staff Present	Kim Hendrickson, Housing, Health and Human Services Director		
		Agenda	
No.	Topic	Action/Recommendation/Discussion	
1.	Administrative		
	Questions and Concerns of Committee		
2.	Informational		
	Establishment of Poulsbo Cares program	<p>Poulsbo Cares is a collaborative effort between the City of Poulsbo, Kitsap County, Fishline, Gateway Fellowship, and Empact Northwest. Dozens of volunteers have enrolled as a part of the program (we are up to around 70). Kim explained its three main functions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing deliveries to home-bound seniors and others who are too high risk to shop • Providing 2 free meals a day, from the Gateway kitchen, to anyone who needs a meal • A day shelter for transient/homeless individuals who need showers, laundry, internet connection. <p>Most people assisted are in Poulsbo area but deliveries have been made to Seabeck, Kingston, Suquamish.</p> <p>Kim expressed interest in a partnership between area farmers and the Gateway kitchen; sourcing food for the community meals locally creates business opportunities and higher nutrition meals.</p> <p>Councilmember Musgrove stressed the importance of Poulsbo Cares branding—expressed appreciation for Poulsbo Cares t-shirts distributed to volunteers.</p>	

3.	Discussion	<p>Councilmember Musgrove brought up the idea of relocating Farmers Market to Front Street (suggested by several downtown businesses); committee discussed some of the health and public safety implications of the decision. Councilmember Livdahl shared some of the precautionary measures the Farmers Market intends to take when they open again.</p> <p>Consensus that the Committee is an appropriate place to talk about health aspects of the Farmers Market—and, more generally, health issues related to COVID 19. Councilmember Musgrove talked about this Committee’s potential to craft quick, nimble responses to emerging situations.</p> <p>Kim asked Committee if there was interest in using HB 1406 funds for emergency rental assistance. None at the moment. Committee members expressed concern about small contributions/limited impact initiatives.</p> <p>Kim mentioned her interest in changing the 2021 police navigator program; will be discussed at next meeting.</p>
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Future Agenda Items

Item(s)	Responsibility	Meeting Date
Modifications of police navigator program	Kim	5/6/20
Appointment of Committee Chair	Committee	5/6/20
Establishment of Committee description	Committee	5/6/20