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COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES

**June 10, 2019 – 4:00 p.m.
4th Floor Conference Room - City Hall**

A Council work session was held to discuss the Urban Mission grant.

Attending: Mayor Bill McMurray and Councilmembers Brenda Blessing, Madison Davis, Brian Myers, Marty Novak and Kent O'Dell.

J. Bruce Woody, City Manager; Bryan Carter, City Attorney; Debra Bradley, Health Director; Kendra Bundy, Assistant Health Director; and Rita K. Domini, Deputy City Clerk.

Mayor Bill McMurray called the meeting to order.

Pat Dillon, Chief Government and Community Relations Officer for Mosaic, distributed and reviewed a handout entitled "Urban Mission Collaboration."

The following people talked about their property being stolen and vandalized, no punishment for people's actions, accountability, being threatened, more security, people going to the restroom in public, homeless sleeping on property, more lighting, trespassing, difficult to punish people who don't have anything: Greg Filardo, 710 S. 9th Street; Dustin Grippando, Dusty's Auto, 723 S. 8th Street; Austin Benson, St. Joseph Plumbing, Heating and Cooling, 114 S. 7th Street; Jolene Dempster, Neighborhood Partnership, 9th and Messanie; Casey Holt (address unknown); Barry Woodhull, Magoon's Deli, 632 S. 8th Street; Steve Hofferber, 605 N. 11th Street, Apt. B; and Tama Wagner, Community Alliance, 3003 Frederick Avenue.

Mayor McMurray asked Bryan Carter, City Attorney about a vagrancy ordinance. Mr. Carter said he would do some research on one.

Councilmember Kent O'Dell asked Mr. Carter, about what the City had in the Code of Ordinances about loitering. Mr. Carter said in Chapter 20 the only mention of loitering was on school premises

Councilmember Marty Novak asked what the timeline would be for the execution of this plan. Mr. Dillon said probably September.

J. Bruce Woody, City Manager, said there would be a contract to identify what resources the City will be providing and the terms of the contract.

Councilmember Madison Davis asked that the City Council meet again in a month in order to ask any more questions and check what accountable measures are in place and he also asked that the groups involved in the Urban Mission Collaboration be invited to the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.



Minutes transcribed by Rita K. Domini, Deputy City Clerk.

Urban Mission Collaboration Presented by Mosaic Life Care

Urban Mission Collaboration is a program that will support the top three findings of Mosaic Life Care's recent Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) and is to be funded by the Community Connect grant process. Mosaic developed the Community Connect grants specifically to address the areas of need as outlined in their CHNA: mental health, substance abuse and access to health care for those in poverty. The goal of the program is to coordinate the services, focusing on people who are homeless. Ultimately the plan is to assist individuals to achieve housing, education/training, employment and other identified needs.

Collaboration will include the following:

- **Mosaic Life Care** as the main funding and oversight partner.
- **City of St Joseph Health Department** will provide a full-time person to be onsite daily to hold all agencies accountable to the plan. The Health Department leadership will also serve as a link to Mosaic's liaison for the project to the other agencies. The Health Department will give final approval each month for payment to agencies as they prove they are fulfilling their duties.
- **The Crossing** will provide around the clock shelter and a place to access agency services. This includes around the clock staffing.
- **Community Action Partnership** will provide two Community Health Workers that will case manage individuals.
- **Pivotal Point** will work on transitional housing for this population
- **St Joseph Police Department** or off duty police are included in this budget.

Other wrap around services:

- **The Crossing** will have a new food pantry.
- **The Crossing and Habitat for Humanity** are opening a re-entry center for those let out of prison monthly.
- **Foundations for Recovery and Kolbe Puckett** provide substance abuse counseling.
- **Family Guidance and The Center** for Mental health and substance abuse counseling.

Note: The new **Open Door Food Kitchen** will be open next door to the shelter. The old building on Edmond has been sold and a restaurant is planned.