

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING

8:40 a.m.
Wednesday,
November 14, 2001

Room E1.028
Capitol Extension
1400 Congress Avenue
Austin, Texas

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

SHADRICK BOGANY, Chairman
BETH ANDERSON

STAFF PRESENT:

RUTH CEDILLO, Executive Director

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2 MR. BOGANY: I will call to order the Programs
3 Committee meeting of the Board of the Texas Department of
4 Housing and Community Affairs, November 14, 2001 at 8:40.

5 Roll call, certification of quorum. Beth
6 Anderson?

7 MS. ANDERSON: Here.

8 MR. BOGANY: Norberto Salinas?

9 (Not present.)

10 MR. BOGANY: Shadrick Bogany, here. We have
11 two members present and one member absent, and I certify
12 we do have, in fact, a quorum.

13 The next order of business is certify quorum --
14 or Public Comment. Anyone who wishes to speak to the
15 committee is encouraged to do so. Members of the public
16 can come up and speak on any issue they may wish. We will
17 allow you to defer your comments until a particular agenda
18 item comes up. If you would like to address the
19 committee, participate in public comment, now is the time
20 to submit to Delores written confirmation information, and
21 the first witness affirmation form I have is from?

22 MS. GRONECK: We don't have any.

23 MR. BOGANY: The next item is minutes of the
24 Program meeting, August 21. Beth, you were not there.

25 MS. ANDERSON: I was not a member of the board

1 at that time, so I don't even know if I can even move
2 adoption.

3 MR. BOGANY: So we'll skip that.

4 MS. ANDERSON: Mr. Bogany, I move that we table
5 that agenda item until the next Programs Committee
6 meeting.

7 MR. BOGANY: Okay. So adopted.

8 And I apologize. This is the Programs
9 Committee meeting, not the Board meeting; I got carried
10 away, Mr. Jones.

11 The next thing on the agenda is the members to
12 the Advisory Committee for the Support of Individuals with
13 Disabilities. We have several people that have been
14 nominated for this committee; we have Ann Denton, Jean
15 Langendorf, Jonas E. Schwartz, Wilma Crain, and David
16 Wood. I'd like to call on Ms. Cedillo to give us an
17 explanation.

18 MS. CEDILLO: We collected information from the
19 various advocacy groups for people with disabilities and
20 we are recommending that these people be part of the
21 committee to advise the board on the needs for people with
22 disabilities. Now, the policies and procedures for the
23 committee have not been adopted. Once the committee
24 meets, there will be policies and procedures that will be
25 developed and they can be presented to the board for

1 adoption.

2 MR. BOGANY: Okay. Can I get a motion and a
3 second?

4 MS. ANDERSON: Mr. Chairman, I'd like to ask
5 Ruth a couple of questions.

6 MR. BOGANY: Okay.

7 MS. ANDERSON: Of these five individuals, how
8 many of them are with entities that receive TDHCA funding,
9 just for my own information.

10 MS. CEDILLO: Right off, I know of one that
11 does, the Texas Home of Your Own Project with United
12 Cerebral Palsy does receive funding from the department.

13 MS. ANDERSON: And these names were recommended
14 to you by members of the advocacy community?

15 MS. CEDILLO: Yes.

16 MS. ANDERSON: And I just have one other
17 question. Was there any thought to putting a
18 representative on the committee who is themselves a member
19 of the community, or is there someone on this list that
20 is?

21 MS. CEDILLO: Yes, there is, Mr. Schwartz.

22 MS. ANDERSON: Okay, great. Thanks. I move
23 adoption of staff's recommendation to appoint these five
24 individuals to the Advisory Committee for the Support of
25 Individuals with Disabilities.

1 MR. BOGANY: Those all in favor, say aye.

2 (A chorus of ayes.)

3 MR. BOGANY: The next item on the agenda is the
4 presentation, discussion and possible approval of award
5 resulting from an appeal of staff recommendations in the
6 2001 HOME funding cycle for Twin City Mission, and I'm
7 going to refer that over to Ms. Cedillo.

8 MS. CEDILLO: Pam Morris, who is director for
9 our Single Family Programs is going to address the
10 committee on that issue.

11 MS. MORRIS: Good morning. I'm Pam Morris. As
12 you recall, last month we came to you for approval for the
13 2001 HOME awards from our HOME cycle, and we had been
14 contacted by an applicant actually the evening before the
15 board meeting saying that they thought we might have made
16 an error in the set-aside that we put them in, so we told
17 them we would certainly look into it and we would bring it
18 back to the board if that appeal was granted.

19 We did do the research and we found that what
20 we had done is they had applied for the special needs set-
21 aside, clearly indicated it on their application. We made
22 an actual data entry error, said no instead of yes -- it's
23 that simple -- and it put them in the non-special needs
24 category whereby they did not receive an award, but they
25 would have received an award if they had been put in the

1 right category because their score was high enough to have
2 received that.

3 So basically that's what we're requesting is
4 approval to award Twin City Mission \$335,700 for project
5 funds, and in addition, a 4 percent administrative fee
6 that will go with that. Furthermore, they had asked that
7 we look at their scores because they felt we might have
8 made an error with regard to their cash reserves, but as
9 the write-up indicated, we did check into that and we did
10 not make an error with regard to that, so the score held,
11 but their score still was high enough as it was to have
12 received an award.

13 MR. BOGANY: Can I get a motion?

14 MS. ANDERSON: Yes. I move we accept staff's
15 recommendation for awards to Twin City Mission.

16 MR. BOGANY: All those in favor?

17 (A chorus of ayes.)

18 MR. BOGANY: This passes. See, the system
19 works.

20 That is all on our agenda for the Programs
21 Committee meeting. Can I get a motion to adjourn?

22 MS. ANDERSON: So moved.

23 MR. BOGANY: We're adjourned. Thank you.

24 (Whereupon, at 8:48 a.m., the meeting was
25 concluded.)

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