



**MINUTES
STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, February 17, 2021 at 5:00 P.M.

In accordance with the current State of Emergency and the Governor's Executive Order N-25-20, of March 12, 2020 and N-33-20 of March 19, 2020, teleconferencing was used for this meeting. Board members, staff and members of the public were able to participate by webinar and members of the public were also able to participate by telephone.

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Committee Chair Jennifer Jeffries called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

In attendance: Committee Members Jennifer Jeffries and Howard Salmon
CEO Rachel Mason and Staff Members Linda Bannerman and Mireya Banuelos.

2. Public Comments

None

3. Discussion Items

a. Status of Behavioral Health Services in the District.

Committee Chair Jeffries thanked Director Salmon for his suggestion that the District plan a summit of behavioral health and related experts to discuss the need for additional services in our community. She cautioned that with the pandemic still significantly impacting everyone, and our efforts to develop the "Wellness Center" (yet to be named) at 1636 E. Mission Road, it is important to take the time necessary to plan for such a summit. Director Salmon agreed there is no rush. Director Jeffries said she believes it would be beneficial to the District to organize this effort.

CEO Rachel Mason asked Director Salmon to define his goal(s) for this summit. Director Salmon said he would like to see the District be the catalyst for enhanced behavioral health services as needed. Community Health Coordinator Mireya Banuelos said the Community Collaborative for Health (CCHW) and Wellness has been discussing mental health needs and services in our community. Rachel Mason suggested the CCHW could be utilized for further information. In addition, she said she would discuss with Directors Schwartz and Ortiz the formation of an ad hoc committee to address behavioral health. Director Jeffries said our District might want to look at prevention of behavioral health issues as we develop the "Wellness Center."

4. Board Member Comments and Future Agenda Items

Director Salmon looks forward to the Catalyst report so that we can move forward with development of the 1636 E. Mission Road property.

CEO Rachel Mason provided an update regarding the COVID-19 Vaccine situation, noting she is working with all District partners to identify options for local vaccination efforts.

5. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:17 p.m.



Jennifer Jeffries, Committee Chair



Board Secretary/Clerk