

DEPARTMENT OF DISABILITY AND AGING SERVICES  
(DAS) SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES February 16, 2023

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME/President Martha Knutzen

Commissioner Martha Knutzen called our hybrid special HSA Budget Meeting to order in City Hall room 416 and virtually and stated that the DAS Commission acknowledged they are using the unceded homeland of the Ramaytush Ohlone peoples of the San Francisco Peninsula.

The (DAS) Commission Secretary called the roll:

Present: Commissioners Sascha Bittner, Wanda Jung, President Martha Knutzen, Vice President Janet Y. Spears, Linda Parker Pennington, Barbara Sklar, and Nelson Lum

DAS Executive Director Kelly Dearman was present.

Communications:

HSA Commission Secretary Elizabeth LaBarre provided instructions for any members of the public that would like to submit a public comment to the DAS Commission.

RESOLUTION TO HOLD IN-PERSON MEETING WITH SOME MEMBERS POSSIBLY APPEARING REMOTELY.

President Knutzen read the resolution to hold in person meetings with some members possibly appearing remotely virtually pending any government changes or supplements to the Mayoral Emergency Proclamation

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments.

A motion to approve.

The motion was unanimously approved.

AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW THIRD-PARTY PRESENTERS WHO ARE NOT CITY EMPLOYEES TO ATTEND COMMISSION MEETINGS VIRTUALLY, PENDING ANY CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE CHANGE OR MAYORAL SUPPLEMENT TO THE EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION.

President Knutzen read the resolution to authorize third-party presenters who are not city employees to attend and present commission meetings virtually pending any government changes or supplements to the Mayoral Emergency Proclamation

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments.

A motion to approve.

The motion was unanimously approved.

Item 6 is GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

No public comment

Item 7 OLD BUSINESS

No old business

Item 8 NEW BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

ITEM A IS AN ACTION ITEMS AND REQUIRES A VOTE BY THE COMMISSION

A. Review and approval of the Fiscal Year 2023-24 and FY 2024-25 DAS Budgets. (Presented by DAS Executive Director Kelly Dearman and HSA Deputy Director of Finance & Administration Dan Kaplan)

Presenters Deputy Director Kaplan and Executive Director Dearman outlined the Mayor's Budget citywide and let the commission know about projected budget deficits for the Human Services Agency (HSA) of 5% in FY23-24 and 8% in FY24-25. The State is expecting a \$22.5 B shortfall in FY23-24 due to lower revenues.

They then outlined the original and proposed budgets with exact percentages for all of HSA's departments. IHSS funding was then spoke on and then the new CARE COURTS budget was outlined, the DIGNITY FUND, followed by other DAS Community Services.

The DAS FY23-24 & FY24-25 Budget timeline was then outlined and the commissioners were notified of the timeline for the implementation dates.

President Knutzen thanked Presenters Dearman and Kaplan for all the hard work and details.

Commissioner Jung commented on how impressed she was on this budget and presentation and thanked both presenters. Appreciated how the presentation included CARE COURTS and there was no impact on the Disability Cultural Center and the new Online Directory and we are able to maintain and prioritize client assistance.

Presenter Kaplan thanked her and let the commissioners know there many people in both HSA and DAS who worked tirelessly to make this happen.

Vice President Spears wanted to add that she was very happy for the summary that Commissioner Jung provide and thanked them as well for the presentation.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments.

A motion to approve.

The motion was unanimously approved.

#### **9. PUBLIC COMMENT**

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No public comments.

#### Announcements

No announcements

#### Adjournment

Meeting adjourned by President Knutzen at 10:21am.