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CHILDREN AND YOUTH COMMISSION COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING

**Tuesday, April 10, 2018
Railyard Offices
Conference Room
500 Market Station, Suite 200
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. New Business/Action Items:
 - a. Discuss and Recommendation: CYC Board Applicant Jennifer Romero
 - b. Information and Discussion: Organization Interviews for RFP '18/30/P
4. Old Business:
5. Comments from the Chair and Committee Members
6. Report from Staff:
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New Business a. Action Items: a) Discuss and Recommendation: CYC Board Applicant Jennifer Romero b) Information and Discussion: Organization Interviews for RFP'18/30/P	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>a) Unanimous approval to recommend Jennifer Romero to the Children and Youth Commission</i> <i>b) 4:30 MathAmigos</i> <i>4:45 ArtSmart</i> <i>5:00 Las Cumbres</i> <i>5:15 Youth Shelter and Family Services (Early Childcare)</i> <i>5:30 NM Immigrant Law Center</i> <i>5:45 Adelante</i> <i>6:00 EarthCare</i> <i>6:15 Impact dba Resolve</i> <i>6:30 Esperanza</i> <i>6:45 El Camino Real Academy</i> 	2 - 7
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CHILDREN AND YOUTH COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING

500 Market Street Santa Fe Railyard Offices
Tuesday, April 10, 2018
4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

1. Call to Order/Roll Call:

The Children and Youth Commission meeting was called to order by Joanne Lefrak, Chair at 4:01 pm. A quorum was declared by roll call.

Present

Joanne Lefrak, Chair
Tommy Rodriguez
Allegra Love
Lisa Salazar, Vice Chair
Joe Berenis

Not Present-Excused

Gus Martinez

Staff Present

Chris Sanchez, Youth and Family Services, Division Director
Julie Sanchez, Youth and Family Services, Program Manager

Others Present

Michael Harris, City Councilor
Sig Lindell, City Councilor
Valerie Romero

2. Approval of the Agenda

Ms. Love moved to approve the agenda as presented with a second from Mr. Rodriguez which passed by voice vote.

3. Approval of the Minutes

No minutes, special meeting.

4. New Business

- a. Discuss and Recommendation: CYC Board Applicant Jennifer Romero

Mr. Sanchez introduced Ms. Romero as she is working closely with Ms. Sanchez on different initiatives, including data driven funding, as well as was a part of the Annie E. Casey Foundation Leadership training on results based accountability. She would be an incredible asset to the commission as she has a passion for working with kids. Ms. Romero stated she works with Teen Court for 11 and a half years, she has a passion working with the community, is also the chair for the Santa Fe Prevention Alliance. She is always looking at finding a way to impact the community; she believes that breaking down silos and working together is an important part of this work. She has seen this with the alignment of the Counties and Cities indicators and outcomes. Expressed interest on being on the Commission, stated she also handles the Counties youth funds which will begin in May. Funding is annually and she has overseen the county youth grant funds over the last 6 years.

Ms. Salazar asked how much funding the county gives out.

Ms. Romero stated the county gives out approximately \$275,000.00 a year.

Ms. Love made a motion to recommend approval of Ms. Romero as a new commissioner, Ms. Salazar seconded the motion. All in favor, and Ms. Romero was recommended as a new Children and Youth Commission member.

- b. Ms. Lefrak thanked everyone in attendance, Ms. Lefrak let the Commissioners know that these are brief interviews to address issues and answer questions Commissioners had on the organizations proposals. Ms. Sanchez stated she was going to keep time; each agency would be allowed a maximum of 10 minutes and would give warning to the chair at 7 minutes.

Ms. Love asked if there would be a separate date to meet with the new applicants as the applicants she requested to bring in were all new organizations.

Mr. Sanchez said that historically there has been a separate date to meet with new applicants and hear about their programs.

Ms. Lefrak asked the Commissioners if they wanted to do a separate date for the new applicants.

The Commissioners agreed that a separate date should be set to meet new applicants. The date was set for Monday, April 16th from 3:00pm – 4:00pm. Ms. Sanchez stated she would get an agenda together after this meeting as there is a deadline that needs to be met with the clerk's office.

Applicant interviews were as follows:

b) 4:30 MathAmigos

New applicant, math tutors came together under the community foundations collective working group. The SFPS director of curriculum introduced her work in the public schools and the development of a cross curriculum. Explained that early workshops were very well attended by teachers and they got great feedback. The goal of MathAmigos is to make a long term sustainable relationship to address gaps in math. 16% of students are proficient in math in the SFPS. Proposal is targeting the 5 high risk schools in the airport corridor. Funding is looking at impacting K-6. Group noticed that basic math was a challenge, so the 5 high need schools would focus on intensive training. Workshops would make math fun and give the kids high level thinking. They were asked if a match would be given from the SFPS. Not sure, so they would get back to the Commission. They were asked how they would measure impact. MathAmigos stated they would work with teachers on measurements which included before and after testing as well as social emotional and using an istation assessment to monitor progress. Concerns were brought up that funding wasn't going to be a direct service; the funding would go towards training teachers rather than directly towards kids—even though these teachers will be working with kids it seemed out of the commissions usual funding. Credentials were also not attached on who was teaching the teachers or if they were qualified. MathAmigos said they would get back to Ms. Sanchez with the requested information.

4:45 ArtSmart

Concerns about not attaching a financial audit as the organizations budget is over 250k. Additional concerns with new program the Commission would be the only funder; the new program is more aligned. The Commission asked about the financial audit, the book keeper stated they don't have audited financials. ArtSmart stated they would check in with the bookkeeper on the audit. Commission gave kudos about the new direction of the program, and asked about the new program. ArtSmart stated they have been meeting with the Data Consultant who helped them realign. ArtSmart stated they will be working with third graders at El Camino Real to work on proficiency in math. Wants kids to be excited about math and their methodology is evidenced based art education. Children will learn in a sensory based way, experientially in collaboration with math teachers. ArtSmart said they are in the process of hiring a bilingual math teacher to work with ESL kids. ArtSmart talked about curriculum lessons in shape identification, mindfulness lessons, etc. They would be using the RBA framework to collect data and also various math assessments.

5:00 Las Cumbres

Questions were brought up on partnership with Santa Fe Recovery Center, and the disconnected youth with babies. Asked to describe the partnership and Las Cumbres will deliver services. Las Cumbres stated they have been meeting with the SF Recovery Center staff on how they can assist with providing services to their clients and have a more collaborative relationship with the participants for when they are in treatment to when the transition out. Will serve 40 children over two years, the county is also providing funding for

this initiative at \$85,000.00. The Commission stated that it's nice to see a healthy relationship between agencies. Las Cumbres said it's easy to work with SF Recovery Center as they share the same goals. Funding would be for a fulltime position, the relationship would continue after the family exits care for up to two years.

5:15 Youth Shelter and Family Services (Early Childcare)

Commission commented on project being innovative. Question of how many pregnant and parenting youth the Youth Shelters serve, Shelters stated they get approximately 20-30 pregnant or parenting youth these numbers include street outreach. Commission asked if there is currently a program, Youth Shelters stated that yes there is a dedicated position serving all pregnant and parenting youth doing case management services, assisting with work, transportation challenges and childcare. Childcare has been a challenge, Youth Shelters stated they are not experts in childcare and so partnered with YMCA to cover gaps in childcare. The pilot program was started because of gaps in services with CYFD coverage for homeless youth. Funding would be used for a part-time coordinator to assist with getting teen homeless parents into CYFD coverage; funds would also cover those gaps in services.

5:30 NM Immigrant Law Center

Ms. Love recused herself from the meeting

Issues that came up were that they checked the budget box that they are under 250k because of this the organization is missing a financial audit, also some of the application has listed that it requests funding from the Human Services Committee. The NM Immigrant Law Center stated that the overall organizational budget is over one (1) million dollars; the program budget is also over 250k. The Commission stated that a requirement is that any agency with a budget over 250k must submit a financial audit and there wasn't an audit uploaded. Organization stated they would resend it; Commission stated that they are unable to accept documents once the RFP has closed. Discussed programming, organization stated they don't do DACA they do green card and permanent status. It's complementary to DACA but targets a different age group. The organizations program does special immigrant juvenile status so targets the younger group, DACA is generally over age 20.

5:45 Adelante

Ms. Love recused herself from the meeting

The question came up about requested amount, Commission wanted to double check on requested funding amount as it seemed that they specified one year of funds when it should be two years. Adelante stated the requested amount was for one year, and stated that they mistakenly filled out the cover sheet wrong. Organization stated they have a lot of youth with high needs. Commission also worried about case load size, organization stated that the needs of the youth are varied and some are just one or two issues or a warm handoff to other agencies. Another questions was a duplication of services with who Communities in Schools is serving, organization stated that they are in every school and

CIS isn't, they are also the experts on homelessness and will work with the whole family. Organization stated that CIS has a different structure; they do whole school work as well as some individual case management. Other issues are the budget is off, unclear and confusing. Organization clarified that they are nearly breaking 500k depending on fundraising. They are waiting to bring in a few new positions and want to give their current positions a raise. Commission wanted to know what indicator was chosen, the organization stated that they wanted to select supplemental education because they are student based.

6:00 EarthCare

Organization came late to interview. Concerns didn't put in a cost for participants—the Commission did the calculations and the cost per participants didn't seem accurate. EarthCare stated that they would be supplementing the additional participants with other funding sources. The Commission stated this wasn't clear in the proposal. Organization described the program, the participants in the elementary school are part of a group and the high school participants, around 25, do leadership development, the middle school participants are part of 21st century afterschool program. Organization stated that outcomes are to increase student engagement and they track social and emotional learning, sense of self, and good decision making. Organization stated they use pre-post surveys to gage participant's sense of community and to feel if they're voice is being heard. Commission asked about a contingency plan as it wasn't noted in the proposal; organization stated they have a reserve of funding.

6:15 Impact dba Resolve

Commission concerned about conference expenses on budget. Organization stated that the conference a national sexual assault conference, a lot of bullying takes place based on perceived gender and sexuality, girls being sexually harassed, transphobic bullying and homophobic bullying. Organization still based on bullying, the proposal is based on programming in Milagro as the culture is still forming. The program wants to address behavior change and culture change as the school is still forming. Organization was asked if there has been a bullying increase, organization stated that they have seen both increases and decreases and people becoming really great advocates and technology has changed the dynamic and with the current political climate boys have been grabbing girls crotches and are saying that if he can get away with it so can I. Data collection is around pre and post survey, organization is also using an epidemiologist to collect data and is about to get a data base. Processing the data has been the biggest challenge. Organization follows best practice.

6:30 Esperanza

Concerns on financial issues and Commission requests update on organization. Organization is a new applicant. Esperanza states they are the only domestic violence shelter in Santa Fe County. Esperanza states a need for a child bilingual therapist as most of the clientele coming in are Spanish speaking, they have been using a translator and it's been challenging. Commission questioned the funding going to adults, organization stated

that parents are a part of the therapy, it's called collateral therapy. Organization stated that the funding would be for the children, they are the primary focus the parent's session can be billed through a CYFD grant. Commission requested an update on the organization, Organization stated they have been meeting with funders and being transparent about previous issues. Organization stated they are hiring additional staff and are moving towards a trauma informed care model. Organization stated that they are moving towards a positive direction, the census on average has moved from 12 to 23. A question on a financial audit was brought up, the organization stated that the audit had a finding—the previous financial officer was brought in on an interim basis and was missing information due to lack of transparency. The organization stated they just finished a recent audit and it was clean without a modification. The Commission thanked Esperanza for coming in and was glad to see a positive leadership change.

6:45 El Camino Real Academy Afterschool Program

Concerns on some of the uploaded attachments, financial statement and an unclear budget. The organizations attachment was a sentence stating that we should be in touch with a listed individual; all other SFPS organizations were able to get all the attachments signed and uploaded. Organization stated they don't have access to certain business documents. Commission asked about the individual named on the attachment. Organization stated that other organizations usually got the documents for them. They stated they would get it in the future. Commission asked about funding amount for clarification, the amount requested was for two years. Commission asked about the budget as it was unclear, there were two different numbers and it was unclear where the funding was going. Budget breakdown was also unclear, organization stated the majority of funding would go to payroll—coordinators and tutors with left over to supplies. Financial statement was also unclear; organization stated that the upload was what the district sent to them.

5. **Old Business: None**

6. **Comments from the Chair and Commissioners:**

The chair reported that she will out on medical leave in May and Ms. Salazar will be the acting chair for the next few months. The Commission thanked Councilor Harris for being a part of the interviews.

7. **Report from Staff: None**

8. **Matters from the Floor:**

Ms. Romero spoke on behalf of behavioral health is not mental health. Ms. Romero is working towards becoming an independent business woman who is requesting ADA enablement through the business process. Ms. Romero states she has been advocating for herself about learning for

19 years. Ms. Romero was placed in treatment foster care and was in a variety of shelters. Ms. Romero stated she is 35 years old with 4 kids and is part of the evidenced based variables. Ms. Romero stated she went through many programs through 18-25. Ms. Romero stated she advocates for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder.

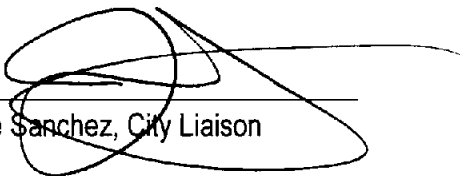
9. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Commission, the Chair called for adjournment at 7:05 p.m.

Signatures:



Joanne Defrak, Chair



Julie Sanchez, City Liaison