

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-15

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, WASHINGTON, REINSTATING THE HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, Chapter 2.40 of the Covington Municipal Code (“CMC”), Human Services Commission, was repealed at the July 28, 2020 city council regular meeting pursuant to Ordinance No. 10-2020; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to continue to have a Covington Human Services Commission; and

WHEREAS, at the City Council Summit on January 25, 2020, council agreed to no longer make any distinctions between commission members who live within the city or within three miles of its boundaries; and

WHEREAS, RCW 35A.13.080 is silent on how the city council may appoint citizen commissions and the city council has determined that it is more efficient reestablish the human services commission and its governing rules by resolution; and

WHEREAS, with the concurrent adoption of Ordinance No. 10-2020, which repealed Chapter 2.40 CMC, Human Services Commission, all current members of the City of Covington Human Services Commission will retain their positions and will continue to serve until their terms expire;

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Covington, King County, Washington, resolves as follows:

Section 1. Creation of Commission. The Human Services Commission is hereby created as set forth in Exhibit A.

Section 2. Concurrent Adoption; Continuation; Effective Date. This resolution is being adopted concurrently with the passage of Ordinance No. 10-2020, which repealed Chapter 2.40 CMC. All current members of the Human Services Commission established under repealed Chapter 2.40 CMC, shall retain their positions and will continue to serve in their positions pursuant to the terms of this resolution. Furthermore, all previous policies and procedures, functions, and work of the Human Services Commission shall remain in place under the terms of this resolution. This resolution shall go into effect concurrently with the effective date of Ordinance No. 10-2020.

Section 3. Severability. If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this resolution, or its application to any person or situation, be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid for any reason, or should any portion of this ordinance be pre-empted by state or federal law or regulation, such decision or preemption shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this resolution or its application to other persons or situation. The City Council of the City of Covington hereby declares that it would have adopted this resolution and each section,

subsection, sentence, clauses, phrase, or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases, or portions be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 4. Corrections. Upon the approval of the City Attorney, the City Clerk and the codifiers of this resolution are authorized to make any necessary corrections to this resolution including, but not limited to, the correction of scrivener's/clerical errors, references, resolution numbering, section/subsection numbers, and any reference thereto.

Section 5. Ratification. Any act consistent with the authority and prior to the effective date of this resolution is hereby ratified and affirmed.

Section 6. Effective Date. This resolution is adopted concurrently with Ordinance No. 10-2020 and shall be effective upon the effective date of Ordinance No. 10-2020, August 5, 2020.

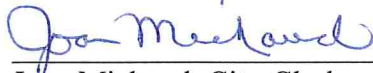
Passed by the City Council of the City of Covington this 28TH day of July 2020.

Signed in authentication of its passage this 28th day of July, 2020.



Jeff Wagner, Mayor

AUTHENTICATED:



Joan Michaud, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ Mark Orthmann, as authorized by email on July 28, 2020
Mark Orthmann, City Attorney

EXHIBIT A

HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

1. Created. The Human Services Commission (“Commission”) is hereby created and shall serve in an advisory capacity to the City Council.
2. Membership and Residence Requirements. The Commission shall consist of seven members appointed by the City Council. Members must live within the City limits or within a three-mile radius of the City limits.
3. Term of Office. Each position shall have a term of office for three years. Terms shall commence on April 1 and expire on March 31 of the respective years. If a member is not appointed for a new term on April 1, the incumbent member may continue to serve in that position until such later date when a member is appointed for a new term. When a vacancy occurs on the Commission, the replacement member shall be appointed only the for the remainder of the unexpired term.
4. Removal. Commission members may be removed by the City Council at any time pursuant to the Covington City Council Policies and Procedures, as amended from time to time.
5. Organization and Meetings. The Commission shall adopt Policies and Procedures. The City Manager shall appoint staff to provide assistance to the commission as available and permitted by the budget. The commission shall meet one time per month and upon call of the chairperson, as necessary.
6. Responsibilities. The Commission shall act in an advisory capacity to the City Council. To that end, the commission shall make reports and recommendations to the City Council concerning issues relating to youth and families within the community including:
 - 6.1 Assess human service needs within the City on a continuing basis;
 - 6.2 Determine priorities for human service needs within the City;
 - 6.3 Evaluate and make recommendations on funding requests submitted to the City;
 - 6.4 Support the development of programs to assist the youth and families within the City;
 - 6.5 Evaluate and review the program performance of individual human service organizations and agencies that are funded by the City of Covington;

6.6 Review City actions that may affect the availability and quality of human services within the City;

6.7 Coordinate with human services planning organizations, human services agencies, and other groups within the region;

6.8 Assess the recreational needs of youth and families within the City, in cooperation with other City commissions;

6.9 Search for and evaluate potential support resources for the City in furtherance of the stated goals and responsibilities herein;

6.10 The Human Services Commission shall provide periodic reports to the City Council setting forth its progress in completing its work program for the current fiscal year. The chairperson of the Human Services Commission or designee is encouraged to regularly present updates to the City Council at the first regular City Council meeting or study session after each Human Services Commission meeting.