

**MAYOR'S AD HOC COMMITTEE ON HOMELESSNESS
THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA
MINUTES**

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Zoom Webinar

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Mandy Cole	Rorie Watt
Bruce Denton	Jesse Perry, Staff

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Committee Members Present: All

Staff Present: Jesse Perry, Coordinator of Housing & Homelessness Services

Guests Present: Bradley Grigg, Bartlett Regional Hospital

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Agenda was approved.

III. DAY SHELTER UPDATE

Mariya Lovishchuk reported the Glory Hall is in discussions with the Filipino Community Ltd. to rent its Community Center located at 251 South Franklin Street for use as a day shelter, and hopes to confirm an agreement by October 21. The Day Shelter would be open 7:00am – 9:00pm, and provide inside seating for meals. The Filipino Community Hall can accommodate up to 70 individuals at one time.

IV. DEFINING “FUNCTIONAL ZERO”

A roundtable discussion highlighted the following understandings of “Functional Zero”:

- Oriented toward long-term outcomes
- Relies on data collection for system analysis
- Able to identify system gaps in outreach and service
- Makes significant demand on resources
- “Only that which is measured matters”
- Complements client-centered services

V. BRH CRISIS STABILIZATION UNIT

Bradley Grigg, Chief Behavioral Health Officer at Bartlett Regional Hospital, reported on the development of Bartlett’s Crisis Stabilization Unit. The Emergency Department has seen a 300% increase in requests for support since March 25, and the Unit expects to be operational in November.

The Unit provides direct mental health care to non-hospitalized individuals experiencing an acute psychological crisis that may jeopardize their current community living situation, with the goal to:

- Reduce the number of youth sent out of the community for treatment
- Provide a step-down for adults who have been discharged from the Mental Health Unit but still need support.

The Unit is building a facility with 8 beds next to the Rainforest Recovery Center. Dave Branding/JAMHI emphasized the need for additional community housing and the importance of identifying root causes of homelessness in Juneau.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT (2 min. ea.)

No members of the public made comments to the Committee.

VII. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 4:10pm.