I. Call to Order

CM W. Flores called the meeting to order at 3:15 PM.

II. Roll Call

Council Members Present at Roll Call: Linda Dobra, Elaine Flores, Wade Flores, (chair), Jennifer Malone, Bobby Moske

Council Members Arriving Late:

Council Members Absent: James Frazier (unexcused), Ken Travirca (excused)

Staff Present: Cicily Emerson, Kevin Lee

Public Present: Jami Ellermann, Alexey Nizovskikh, Sarah Grossi, Steve Daley

III. Review and approval of Agenda – VOTE

CM Dobra motioned to approve the draft agenda, seconded by CM E. Flores, approved unanimously by the Council.

Public Comment: None

IV. Review and approval of Minutes – VOTE

CM Malone: would like to clarify that turkeys are available for all who are interested.

CM E. Flores motioned to approve the draft minutes with requested changes, seconded by CM Dobra, approved unanimously by the Council.

Public Comment: None

V. General Announcements

- CM Malone:
The Spahr Center is having an annual meeting mixer on January 30th from 5:30-7:30pm at the home of one of the board members: 544 Rivera Circle, Larkspur.

There will be a forum on January 21 in Novato sponsored by the Multiracial Committee, and The Spahr Center will be a panelist.

TSC received a grant from the County Aging & Adult Services for home visits for seniors. We'll be recruiting volunteers and coming up with various ways to promote the program. Age range starts at 60, and is for any older adult who's isolated and could benefit from having a visitor. It's a 6 month grant and we have three months to get started with the goal of reaching at least 15 seniors. We're hoping to be refunded for another three years.

- CM Dobra:
  - Behavioral Health and Recovery Services is having a Mental Health First Aid Training on February 13 from 8:30-5:30pm at the Marin County Office of Education. You have to register, so if you're interested, contact Kevin and he can send you the registration form.

- CM Moske:
  - There’s a community forum tomorrow (January 12) in San Francisco for people who are interested in becoming peer community mental health workers. They’ll provide you a stipend while you train, and you’ll become a trained peer educator/advocate.
  - CM Travirca said that he has someone who’s interested in joining the Council, but they weren’t able to make it today, and will attend our next meeting.

VI. Public Comment

Public Comment: None

VII. Co-Chair Report

- CM W. Flores:
  - Happy New Year
  - World AIDS Day event, which happened on December 1 was successful and had a good turnout including people who we haven’t seen before. Thank you to The Spahr Center for allowing us to use the community room, and for everyone who helped out with the planning. Hopefully we can do something next year. IJ article also came out for World AIDS Day.

VIII. Prevention Program Report

- World AIDS Day was a success, and thanks to everyone for their efforts. It was nice to see new faces, and faces you might not otherwise expect.
- The Spahr Center is continuing to provide PrEP groups, which is open to everyone. The next group will be held on January 19.
- The County is continuing to promote PrEP, and has rolled out the PrEP posters at bus shelters, and generating pop-up messages and banners related to PrEP on Grindr.
In November, we announced the new Support Service Worker-Bilingual position. We’ve selected our candidate, but have yet to finalize everything.
There were 2 positive tests, and over 250 tests done for 2016. Testing slowed down towards the end of the year.
The week of Valentine’s Day (February 14) is National Condom Week. We’ll do a condom push and distribution.

IX. Division of Public Health Report
Enrollment for Covered California is still happening.
There will be a homeless point and time count happening this year. If anyone is interested in volunteering and helping out with the count, please contact Cicily.
February 7 is National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day.
  o CM Dobra: We’ll make sure to do some outreach/prevention efforts corresponding to this awareness day.
  o Kevin presented on Marin County’s ARIES clinical data presentation.

X. Behavioral Health & Recovery Services Presentation – Janice Wells
  Janice Wells who is the Division Director of the Adults, Older Adults and Crisis Services presented on services that are provided.
  Two resources included:
    o Mobile clinic: 415-473-6392
    o Access line: 1-888-818-1115
  For more information about their services, visit their website: https://www.marinhhs.org/behavioral-health-recovery-services

Public Comment: None

XI. Membership Discussion – tabled

Public Comment: None

XII. New Business
None

XIII. Adjourn
CM W. Flores adjourned the meeting at 5:02 p.m.

Next Meeting: March 8, 2017
Marin County Health & Wellness Campus
3240 Kerner Blvd., Room 110
San Rafael, CA
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
PLEASE PLAN TO COME TO THE MEETING ON TIME, AS WE WILL BE STARTING ON TIME AND ENDING ON TIME – We cannot extend the meeting time. Thank you!