

**Informal Summary of Recommendations**  
Our City, Our Home Oversight Committee Meeting  
**May 3, 2021**  
12:00 PM – 2:30 PM

On May 3, 2021, the Our City, Our Home (OCOH) Oversight Committee held a special meeting with agenda items focused on approving FY21-22 and FY22-23 Investment Plan recommendations related to the Mental Health category of funding, as well as clarifying changes to recommendations approved at the April 20, 2021 meeting. Official meeting minutes will be posted and approved at the next regular meeting. A final version of the Investment Plan will be drafted and approved by the Committee in a subsequent meeting. This informal summary explains and documents the votes taken on May 3, 2021 for public reference. All committee materials for this meeting can be found here:

<https://sfcontroller.org/meeting/our-city-our-home-oversight-committee-may-3-2021-supporting-documents>

The recommendations from the May 3, 2021 meeting are also reflected in the [Draft OCOH Investment Plan Crosswalk](#) and in individual reference documents for each category of funding, as linked below.

***Discussion and Action by the Committee on Mental Health Investments proposed in the FY21-22 and FY22-23 Investment Plan***

Reference File (this section): "[OCOH Behavioral Health Investment Plan Final Approved 5.3.21](#)"

Member Friedenbach moved to recommend reducing the ongoing cost of the Street Crisis Response Team by \$1.5 million in FY21-22 and \$1.4 million in FY22-23 [row 5 in reference file] and adding those funds to "Increasing Capacity for Local Treatment Beds" [row 14 in reference file]. This reduces the proposed expansion of the Street Crisis Response Team from seven down to six teams. Transferred funds should be used to add up to 10 additional beds to a Managed Alcohol Treatment housing program with a focus on serving Latinx and Mayan clients beginning in FY22-23. There is an existing proposal for 10 Managed Alcohol Treatment beds in "Increasing Capacity for Local Treatment Beds," and this motion would bring the total to 20 by FY22-23 by adding \$2.9 million to that line item. Vice Chair D'Antonio seconded the motion.

- Brett Andrews - recused
- Julia D'Antonio - yes
- Jennifer Friedenbach - yes
- Shaun Haines - yes
- Julie Leadbetter - yes
- Lena Miller - no
- Cynthia Nagendra – yes
- Ken Reggio - yes
- Shanell Williams - yes

Member Friedenbach moved to recommend a reduction in the "Expanded Access to Assessment, Evaluation and Pharmacy" line item [row 9 in reference file] by \$1 million in each year, and to use that funding to develop a new "harm reduction therapy center" [row 19 in reference file] to provide an open access clinic and/or drop-in structure including a range of services, including medical, behavioral health,

and socio-economic support so that the holistic needs of each person can be met in the moment. This could include creation of a new site and/or expansion of pop up clinics. Vice Chair D’Antonio seconded the motion.

- Brett Andrews - recused
- Julia D’Antonio - yes
- Jennifer Friedenbach - yes
- Shaun Haines - yes
- Julie Leadbetter - yes
- Lena Miller - yes
- Cynthia Nagendra – yes
- Ken Reggio - yes
- Shanell Williams - yes

Member Friedenbach moved to recommend reducing “Overdose Prevention” [row 13 in reference file] by \$1.8 million in FY21-22 and \$100,000 in FY22-23, and to use that funding to develop a new “co-op housing” program to create alternative permanent housing options for individuals with behavioral health needs [row 20 in the reference file]. The motion assumes acquisition of an apartment that can support up to six residents at a time in FY21-22 and ongoing operating costs of \$100,000 per year for services. Vice Chair D’Antonio seconded the motion.

- Brett Andrews - recused
- Julia D’Antonio - yes
- Jennifer Friedenbach - yes
- Shaun Haines - yes
- Julie Leadbetter - yes
- Lena Miller - yes
- Cynthia Nagendra – yes
- Ken Reggio - yes
- Shanell Williams - yes

Member Friedenbach moved to recommend eliminating funding for the “Street Medicine Behavioral Health Expansion” [row 18 in reference file] and repurposing the proposed \$2 million each year to create a new culturally competent, community-based behavioral health expansion for community-based organization partners to build on-site behavioral health staff capacity at shelters and drop-in centers serving up to 1,400 adults and 75 children per year [row 21 in reference file]. Vice Chair D’Antonio seconded the motion.

- Brett Andrews - recused
- Julia D’Antonio - yes
- Jennifer Friedenbach - yes
- Shaun Haines - yes
- Julie Leadbetter - recused
- Lena Miller - yes
- Cynthia Nagendra – yes
- Ken Reggio - yes
- Shanell Williams - yes

Member Reggio moved to recommend the FY21-22 and FY22-23 Mental Health Investment Plan as amended. Vice Chair D’Antonio seconded the motion.

- Brett Andrews - recused
- Julia D’Antonio - yes
- Jennifer Friedenbach - yes
- Shaun Haines - yes
- Julie Leadbetter - yes
- Lena Miller - yes
- Cynthia Nagendra – yes
- Ken Reggio - yes
- Shanell Williams - yes

***Discussion and Action by the Committee on FY21-22 and FY22-23 Investment Plan items proposed for immediate release in FY20-21***

Member Friedenbach moved to recommend that the Mayor and Board include items in the Investment Plan that have immediate financial needs in the City’s interim budget to ensure that those funds are available by July 1, 2021 to ensure no unintended consequences such as loss of sites or disruptions of programs, and to the extent that funds are required prior to that date explore means to provide bridge funding for them. Vice Chair D’Antonio seconded the motion.

- Brett Andrews - absent
- Julia D’Antonio - yes
- Jennifer Friedenbach - yes
- Shaun Haines - yes
- Julie Leadbetter - absent
- Lena Miller - yes
- Cynthia Nagendra – yes
- Ken Reggio - yes
- Shanell Williams - absent

Member Friedenbach moved to recommend that the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing ensures that the Shelter-in-Place (SIP) hotel rehousing plan contracts are prioritized to ensure swift and timely release of funds once funding is approved in the budget ordinance to avoid any slow-down in the SIP rehousing effort. Vice Chair D’Antonio seconded the motion.

- Brett Andrews - absent
- Julia D’Antonio - yes
- Jennifer Friedenbach - yes
- Shaun Haines - yes
- Julie Leadbetter - absent
- Lena Miller - yes
- Cynthia Nagendra – yes
- Ken Reggio - yes
- Shanell Williams - absent

***Discussion and Action by the Committee about the FY21-22 and FY22-23 Investment Plan overall, including clarifying, changing and/or further defining recommendations made at the April 20, 2021 regular meeting.***

Reference File (next two items): [“OCOH Housing Investment Plan Approved 4.20.21 – Updated 5.3.21”](#)

Member Reggio moved to recommend that any funds transferred from the Prevention category to the Housing category [as approved at the April 20, 2021 meeting] should be applied to new housing acquisition based on the proportions of the sub-categories, i.e., 55% to general housing acquisition, 25% to family housing acquisition, and 20% to youth housing acquisition [rows 7, 21 and 33 in reference file]. The total value applied to each category is subject to change based on additional actions by the Committee within the Prevention category. [Per subsequent actions on May 3, 2021, the current anticipated value of the transfer is \$22.9 million.] Member Friedenbach seconded the motion.

- Brett Andrews - absent
- Julia D’Antonio - yes
- Jennifer Friedenbach - yes
- Shaun Haines - yes
- Julie Leadbetter - absent
- Lena Miller - yes
- Cynthia Nagendra – yes
- Ken Reggio - yes
- Shanell Williams - absent

Member Reggio moved to decrease the total value allocated to support Homekey acquisition projects from \$58.1 million to \$51.6 million [row 5 in reference file] and transfer \$6.5 million to new housing acquisition within the general housing category [row 7 in reference file]. Member Friedenbach seconded the motion.

- Brett Andrews - absent
- Julia D’Antonio - yes
- Jennifer Friedenbach - yes
- Shaun Haines - yes
- Julie Leadbetter - absent
- Lena Miller - yes
- Cynthia Nagendra – yes
- Ken Reggio - yes
- Shanell Williams - absent

Reference File (next item): [“OCOH Prevention Investment Plan Approved 4.20.21 – Updated 5.3.21”](#)

The proposal submitted by the Department of Public Health and the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing included a line item for enhanced clinical services in permanent supportive housing sites with a value of \$6.6 million in FY21-22 and \$7.7 million in FY22-23. Per guidance issued by the Offices of the Controller and City Attorney, the Mental Health category could fund this service to the extent it relates to new intakes or new units of housing, while the Housing or Prevention categories can fund this service for formerly homeless clients currently in housing. The departments proposed \$1.3 million and \$3.3 million be applied to the Mental Health category, with the remaining \$5.3 million and \$4.4 million applied to the Housing category, with costs in FY21-22 and FY22-23, respectively.

Data Officer Nagendra moved to recommend the “Clinical Services in PSH” costs proposed for the Housing category by departments be funded from the Prevention category instead [row 7 in reference file], and further moved that the amount to be funded in FY21-22 be reduced by half with an assumed start date of January 2022, and further moved to recommend that departments engage in a robust community process to understand the diverse needs of housing providers and their clients and design the program based on this community process. These motions result in \$2.7m applied to Prevention in FY21-22 and \$4.4m applied to Prevention in FY22-23. The remaining cost of the service continues to be applied to the Mental Health category. Vice Chair D’Antonio seconded the motion.

- Brett Andrews - absent
- Julia D’Antonio - yes
- Jennifer Friedenbach - yes
- Shaun Haines - yes
- Julie Leadbetter - absent
- Lena Miller - yes
- Cynthia Nagendra – yes
- Ken Reggio - yes
- Shanell Williams - absent

All remaining items continued to the May 18, 2021 regular meeting.