

RESOLUTION NO. 13625-23

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 7103-92 AND VOIDING AND SUPERSEDING ALL OTHER RESOLUTIONS PERTAINING TO THE NEWPORT NEWS HUMAN SERVICES POLICY AND MANAGEMENT TEAM.

WHEREAS, the City Council, through adoption of Resolution No. 7103-92, established the Newport News Human Services Policy and Management Team (“the Team”); and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 11556-08 and later 13290-19 amended Resolution No. 7103-92 as it relates to the composition of the Team; and

WHEREAS, in 1999, the Code of Virginia was amended to require that community policy and management teams include “at least one elected official or appointed official or his designee from the governing body of a locality which is a member of the team...”; and

WHEREAS, the current Team does not have an elected official or appointed official or designee from Newport News as a member of the Team; and

WHEREAS, amending the composition of the Team to add “a local elected or appointed official, or his/her designee” will conform to the requirement of state law; and

WHEREAS, the Code of Virginia gives the City Council the authority to appoint other members to the Team, beyond the mandatory members, to include a local government official; and

WHEREAS, there is no requirement in the Code of Virginia that a specific Chairperson be designated for the Team and therefore a specific designation can be removed and the Team members be allowed to select the Chairperson; and

WHEREAS, the Director, or his/her designee of the City of Newport News Department of Juvenile Services, given the Department's role and the population it serves, should be added as a member of the Team; and

WHEREAS, the positions on the Team for the juvenile court services unit and the community services board should be changed to reflect the correct name of the head of those entities and to reflect the correct name of those entities that serve Newport News; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 7103-92 also created the Newport News Interagency Council; and

WHEREAS, the names of certain entities represented on the Newport News Interagency Council should be clarified; and

WHEREAS, the positions on the Newport News Interagency Council for the juvenile court services unit, the community services board, and the Department of Human Services should be changed to reflect the correct name of those local agencies that serve Newport News; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 7169-93 designates the City Attorney as legal counsel and the Director of Finance as fiscal agent for the Team; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 12634-14 authorizes the Team, to enter into contracts for the provision or operation of services for at-risk youth and families and authorizes the Assistant City Manager, the Team Chairman, or his designee, the Director of the Department of Human Services, to execute such contracts, as well as any documents related thereto; and

WHEREAS, authorizing the Team Chairperson or the Director of Human Services to execute such contracts and related documents is consistent with the proposed amendment to remove a specific Chairperson designation to the Team; and

WHEREAS, to decrease the potential for confusion, this Resolution should void and supersede all previous resolutions pertaining to the Team except Resolution 7103-92 which established the Team and created the Newport News Interagency Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Council of the City of Newport News, Virginia:

1. That it desires to, and hereby does, amend Resolution No. 7103-92 to specify the following composition of the Newport News Human Services Policy and Management Team:

- a. A local elected or appointed official, or his/her designee
- b. Executive Director, or his/her designee, Hampton-Newport News Community Services Board
- c. Director, or his/her designee, Newport News Department of Human Services
- d. Director, or his/her designee, Newport News Department of Juvenile Services
- e. Director, or his/her designee, Peninsula Health District
- f. Superintendent, or his/her designee, Newport News Public Schools
- g. Director, or his/her designee, 7th District Court Service Unit
- h. Newport News parent representative
- i. Representative of a Newport News private organization for children's services
- j. Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-5205, the Council may also "appoint other members to the team, including, but not limited to, a local government official, a local law-enforcement official, and representatives of other public agencies."

2. That it desires to, and hereby does, amend Resolution No. 7103-92 to clarify that the Newport News Interagency Council shall be composed of senior services managers as determined by and representing the following:

- a. Hampton-Newport News Community Services Board
- b. Newport News Department of Human Services
- c. Peninsula Health District
- d. Newport News Public Schools
- e. 7th District Court Service Unit

3. That it hereby designates the City Attorney as legal counsel and the Director of Finance as fiscal agent for the Newport News Human Services Policy and Management Team.

4. That it hereby authorizes the Newport News Human Services Policy and Management Team, to enter into contracts for the provision or operation of services for at-risk youth and families, pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-5206, and subject to Virginia Code Section 2.2-4345A.14.

5. That it hereby authorizes the Team Chairperson or the Director of the Department of Human Services, to execute such contracts, as well as any documents related thereto, provided that all such documents shall first have been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney's Office.

6. That this Resolution voids and supersedes all previous resolutions pertaining to the Newport News Human Services Policy and Management Team except Resolution No. 7103-92 which established the Newport News Human Services Policy and Management Team and created the Newport News Interagency Council.

7. That the rest and remainder of Resolution No. 7103-92 shall remain effective as adopted.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS ON APRIL 11, 2023

Mabel Washington Jenkins, MMC
City Clerk

Phillip D. Jones
Mayor

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City Clerk