

**MINUTES
PLANNING COMMITTEE
BOARD OF MANAGERS
NUECES COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT**

June 28, 2016

The Planning Committee of the Nueces County Hospital District Board of Managers met Tuesday, June 28, 2016 at 11:00 a.m., in the NCHD Board Room at 555 N. Carancahua, Suite 950-A, Corpus Christi, TX.

HOSPITAL DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES:

Jonny F. Hipp, Administrator/CEO
Dena B. Bruni, Assistant Administrator, Administrative Services
Donna Littlefield, Director, Accounting & Finance
Wm. DeWitt Alsup, Attorney, Alsup Law Firm
Cathy Heller, Nueces Assistant County Attorney
Sara G. Lopez, Administrative Specialist
Carmen H. Ramos, Administrative Assistant

OTHER(S) PRESENT:

Barron Rodriguez, Nursing Director, Corpus Christi Medical Center
Hannah Chipman, Assistant to Comm. Brent Chesney
Melissa Pullin, Director of Business Development, Corpus Christi Medical Center
Chris Ramirez, Reporter, Caller Times
Servando Caballero, Public Citizen
John Michael, P.E., Naismith Engineering, Inc.

1. **Call to Order** - Mr. Hart, Chairman
The meeting was called to order by Mr. Hart at 11:45 a.m.

2. **Establishment of Quorum** - Mr. Hart
A quorum was present with two members in attendance.

Rodney J. Hart, Chairman - PRESENT
Irma Caballero, Member - PRESENT

John E. Valls, Member - **ABSENT**

3. **Public Comment:**
None requested. Copy of "Request to Speak Sign-In Sheet" is attached hereto for information.

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4. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

Motion by Ms. Caballero, seconded by Mr. Hart, the Planning Committee voted to accept, adopt, authorize(s) and/or ratify the following agenda items: A - H as presented below: **MOTION CARRIED.**

- A. Approved minutes of Planning Committee meeting(s):
 - 1) February 15, 2016 Regular Meeting

- B. Received and recommends hospital providers' reports relating to certain Indigent Care Affiliation Agreements associated with the Hospital District's participation in the Texas Healthcare Transformation and Quality Improvement Program Medicaid 1115 Waiver; receive providers' reports for the calendar quarter ended March 31, 2016:
 - 1) CHRISTUS Spohn Health System Hospitals: Alice, Beeville, and Kleberg (Joint Reports);
 - 2) Corpus Christi Medical Center;
 - 3) DeTar Health System; and
 - 4) Driscoll Children's Hospital.

Copies of the abovementioned reports for calendar quarter ended March 31, 2016 are attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

- C. Received and recommends information relating to U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Poverty Guidelines:
 - 1) Annual update of the DHHS Poverty Guidelines from Federal Register, Vol. 81, NO 15, January 25, 2016, pp4036 - 4037; and
 - 2) Prior DHHS Poverty Guidelines, 1982 - 2015.

- D. Received and recommends notice of annual increase adjustments of Nueces Aid Program's Eligibility Guidelines; increases effective March 1, 2016 for:
 - 1) Household Resources as required by Program's Handbook Policy No. NA002, Attachment 2, Sections I-B, I-C-I, I-C-23, and I-F; and

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- 2) Household Income as required by Program's Handbook Policy No. NA002, Attachment 4, Section I-F-3.

Copies of Policy No. NA002 Eligibility Guidelines relating to Household Resources and its Attachment 2, and Policy No. NA002 Household Income, Attachment 4, are attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

- E. Received and recommend ratification of renewal of Pharmacy Benefit Administrative Services Agreement with Script Care, Limited for the period of January 1, 2016 - December 31, 2016; renewal exercises second of two one-year renewal options pursuant to Section 22.2 of Agreement.

Copy of Renewal of Pharmacy Benefit Administrative Services Agreement dated January 1, 2016 - December 31, 2016 is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

- F. Received and recommend ratification of Amendment No. 6 to June 12, 2013 Letter Agreement with Health Management Associates relating to support of Anchor Entity responsibilities under the Medicaid 1115 Waiver-related Texas Health and Human Services Commission's Transformation and Quality Improvement Program; Amendment extends Letter Agreement to September 30, 2017 and adjust related fees.

Copy of Amendment No. 6 to June 12, 2012 Letter Agreement with Health Management Associates, Inc., and Nueces County Hospital District is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

- G. Received and recommend ratification of renewal of Engineering Services Agreement with Naismith Engineering, Inc., for owner's representative services relating to Christus Spohn Health System Corporation-paid activities on the Christus Spohn Hospital Corpus Christi-Memorial campus located at 2606 Hospital Boulevard, Corpus Christi, Texas 78405, including construction of a new ambulatory health center and eventual removal of the hospital complex buildings located on the campus; renewal for the period October 1, 2016 - September 30, 2017; renewal exercises first of three one-year renewal options pursuant to Section 4.2 of Agreement.

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Copy of detailed First Renewal of Engineering Services Agreement for Owner's Representatives Services for Memorial Property Improvements October 1,, 2016 - September 30, 2017 is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

- H. Received and recommends ratification of Easement and Right-of-Way Agreement with AEP Texas Central Company relating to provision of electrical power to and construction of Dr. Hector P. Garcia-Memorial Family Health Center located on Hospital District-owned property at 2606 Hospital Boulevard, Corpus Christi, Texas.

Copy of Easement and Right of Way document dated March 30, 2016 and its Exhibits "A" & "B" are attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

5. **REGULAR AGENDA:**

- A. **Receive information relating to 15-months temporary extension of Medicaid 1115 Waiver-related Texas Healthcare Transformation and Quality Improvement Program sponsored by the Texas Health and Human Services Commission; Waiver extension effective through December 31, 2017 - INFORMATION**

Mr. Hipp stated that official notification from CMS was received in regards to a 15-months extension of the Medicaid 1115 Waiver-related Texas Healthcare Transformation and Quality Improvement Program. He further made reference to the detailed CMS letter dated May 1, 2016.

- B. **Receive Owner's Representatives update from Naismith Engineering, Inc., on construction of Dr. Hector P. Garcia-Memorial Family Health Center located on Hospital District-owned property at 2606 Hospital Boulevard, Corpus Christi, Texas - INFORMATION**

Mr. Michael provided an update of the construction of the Dr. Hector P. Garcia-Memorial Family Health Center. He further stated construction is going really well despite setbacks due to the rain of two weeks ago. Project is approximately 65-70% complete; all mechanical and electrical work is completed and site work has begun. A site visit for board members could possibly be arranged within the next thirty (30) days. Estimated completion date is by the end of the year. Christus Spohn has agreed to maintain the green space for ten (10) years after completion of the facility. A brief basement demolition discussion was held relating to the cost for demolition and or to retain the basement.

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Updated (June 24, 2016) copy of photos taken at the construction site are attached hereto for information and made a part of these minutes.

6. ADJOURN:
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:22 p.m.