

MINUTES OF MEETING
HEALTH SERVICES COUNCIL

DATE: 30 August 2011

TIME: 2:30 PM

LOCATION: Conference Room C
Department of Administration

ATTENDANCE:

Council: **Present:** Victoria Almeida, Esq., (Chair), Raymond C. Coia, Esq., Joseph L. Dowling, M.D., John W. Flynn, Maria Gil (Secretary), Catherine E. Graziano, R.N., Ph.D, Robert Hamel, R.N., Theresa Jeremiah, Amy Lapierre, Steven Lonardo, Thomas M. Madden, Esq., Daniel Orgel, MPA, Denise Panichas, Reverend David Shire (Vice-Chair)

Excused: John X. Donahue, Wallace Gernt

Not Present: Robert Ricci, Robert Whiteside

Staff: Valentina D. Adamova, MBA, Michael K. Dexter, MPA, Joseph G. Miller, Esq.

Public: (Attached)

1. Call to Order, Approval of Minutes, Conflict of Interest Forms and Time Extension for the Minutes Availability.

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 PM. Minutes of the Health Services Council meeting of 26 July 2011 were adopted as submitted. The Chair noted that conflict of interest forms are available to any member who may have a conflict. A motion was made, seconded and passed by a vote of fourteen in favor and none opposed (14-0) that the availability of the minutes for this meeting be extended beyond the time frame provided for under the Open Meetings Act. Those members voting in favor were: Almeida, Coia, Dowling, Flynn, Gil, Graziano, Hamel, Jeremiah, Lapierre, Lonardo, Madden, Orgel, Panichas, Shire.

2. General Order of Business

It was noted that per request of the applicant, the *Report of the Committee of the Health Services Council on the application of 198 Waterman Avenue, LLC for change in effective control of Eastgate Nursing and Recovery Center in East Providence* was removed from the agenda and will be rescheduled.

The next item on the agenda was the *Report of the Committee of the Health Services Council on the application of **Lifetime Financial Management, Inc.** d/b/a Lifetime Medical Support Services for initial licensure as a Home Nursing Care Provider in Pawtucket.* Staff summarized the application and deliberations of the Committee on this matter.

A motion was made by Mr. Coia, seconded by Mr. Hamel and passed by a vote of fourteen in favor and none opposed (14-0) to recommend that the application be approved subject to the conditions of approval. Those members voting in favor were: Almeida, Coia, Dowling, Flynn, Gil, Graziano, Hamel, Jeremiah, Lapierre, Lonardo, Madden, Orgel, Panichas, Shire.

The next item on the agenda was the *Report of the Committee of the Health Services Council on the application of **The Kent Center for Human & Organizational Development, Inc.** d/b/a Primary Care Partners for initial licensure to establish an Organized Ambulatory Care Facility in Warwick.* Staff summarized the application and deliberations of the Committee on this matter.

A motion was made by Mr. Hamel, seconded by Ms. Gil and passed by a vote of twelve in favor, none opposed and two recusals (12-0-2) to recommend that the application be approved subject to the conditions of approval. Those members voting in favor were: Coia, Flynn, Gil, Graziano, Hamel, Jeremiah, Lapierre, Lonardo, Madden, Orgel, Panichas, Shire. Those members recusing were: Almeida, Dowling.

The next item on the agenda was the *Report of the Committee of the Health Services Council on the application of **The Saint Elizabeth Community** d/b/a Saint Elizabeth at Home for initial licensure as a Home Nursing Care Provider in East Greenwich.* Staff summarized the application and deliberations of the Committee on this matter.

A motion was made by Mr. Coia, seconded by Mr. Madden and passed by a vote of twelve in favor, one opposed and one recusal (12-1-1) to recommend that the application be approved subject to the conditions of approval. Those members voting in favor were: Almeida, Coia, Dowling, Flynn, Graziano, Hamel, Lapierre, Lonardo, Madden, Orgel, Panichas, Shire. The member voting in opposition was: Jeremiah. The member recusing was: Gil.

The next item on the agenda was the *Report of the Committee of the Health Services Council on the application of **Rhode Island Hospital** for certificate of need to acquire a mobile CT scanner for image guided neurosurgery.* Staff summarized the application and deliberations of the Committee on this matter.

A motion was made by Mr. Madden, seconded by Mr. Hamel and Ms. Lapierre and passed by a vote of fourteen in favor and none opposed (14-0) to recommend that the application be approved subject to the conditions of approval. Those members voting in favor were: Almeida, Coia, Dowling, Flynn, Gil, Graziano, Hamel, Jeremiah, Lapierre, Lonardo, Madden, Orgel, Panichas, Shire.

The next item on the agenda was *Addendum-III to the Report of the Health Services Council on the application of Rhode Island PET Services, LLC to provide PET scanning services in Rhode Island*. Staff summarized the application and deliberations of the Committee on this matter.

A motion was made by Ms. Panichas, seconded by Ms. Jeremiah and passed by a vote of twelve in favor, none opposed and two recusals (12-0-2) to recommend that the application be approved subject to the conditions of approval. Those members voting in favor were: Coia, Flynn, Gil, Graziano, Hamel, Jeremiah, Lapierre, Lonardo, Madden, Orgel, Panichas, Shire. Those members recusing were: Almeida, Dowling.

The next item on the agenda was the *Failure to implement review regarding the 2 July 2010 certificate of need approval of St. Clare Home for new construction, renovation, licensed bed capacity increase, and creation of social model of care*. Staff summarized the reasons for this review.

Representatives of St. Clare Home discussed and provided a written timeline documenting efforts to attain zoning, and move toward project implementation and construction.

A motion was made by Dr. Dowling, seconded by Mr. Hamel and Ms. Graziano and passed by a vote of fourteen in favor and none opposed (14-0) to recommend that the CON approval not be withdrawn. Those members voting in favor were: Almeida, Coia, Dowling, Flynn, Gil, Graziano, Hamel, Jeremiah, Lapierre, Lonardo, Madden, Orgel, Panichas, Shire.

3. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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