

## Advisory Committee for Homelessness Services and Housing Opportunities

November 13, 2019 5:00 - 7:00 pm

300 Laporte - CIC Room

### Attendees:

HSHO Committee Members (attendees in bold):

**Alma Vigo-Morales**

**Fernando Leyva**

**Ben Mozer**

**Brian Ferrans**

**Cheryl Zimlich**

**David Rout**

**Dean Hoag**

**Desiree Anthony**

**Holly LeMasurier**

**Jeff Swoboda**

**Reverend Johnny Square**

**Julie Brewen**

**Reverend Kristen Psaki**

**Lily Adams**

**Luke McElridge**

**Matt Robenalt**

**Nick Verni-Lau**

**Yvonne Myers**

Staff Members **Honoré Depew, Beth Sowder, Jackie Kozak-Thiel, Jeff Mihelich,**

Facilitators: **Chris Hutchinson, Katie Huey**

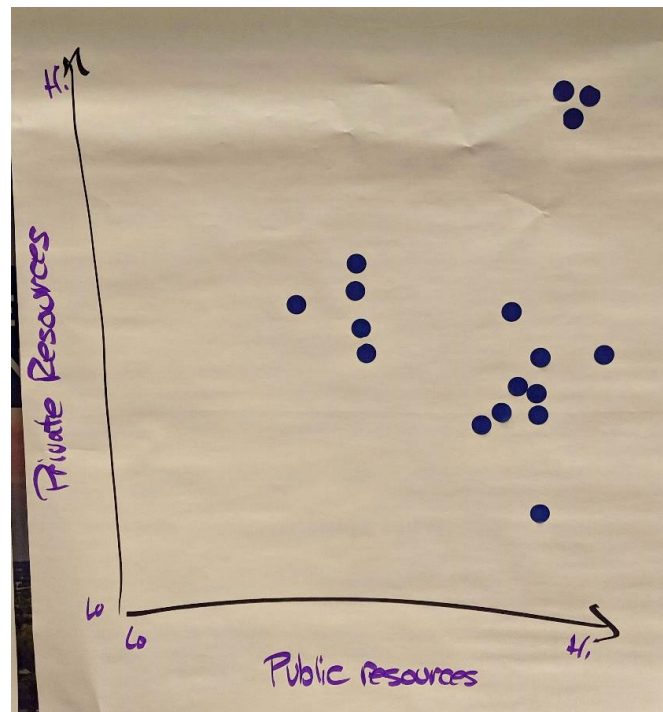
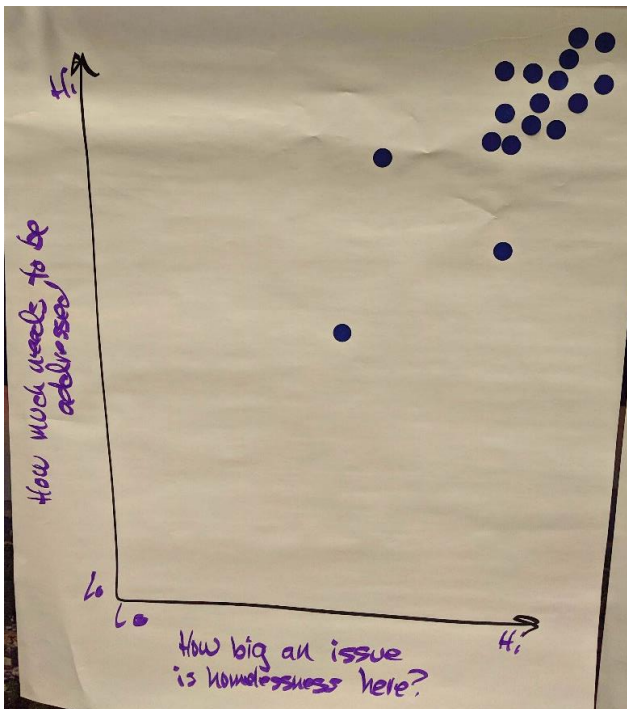
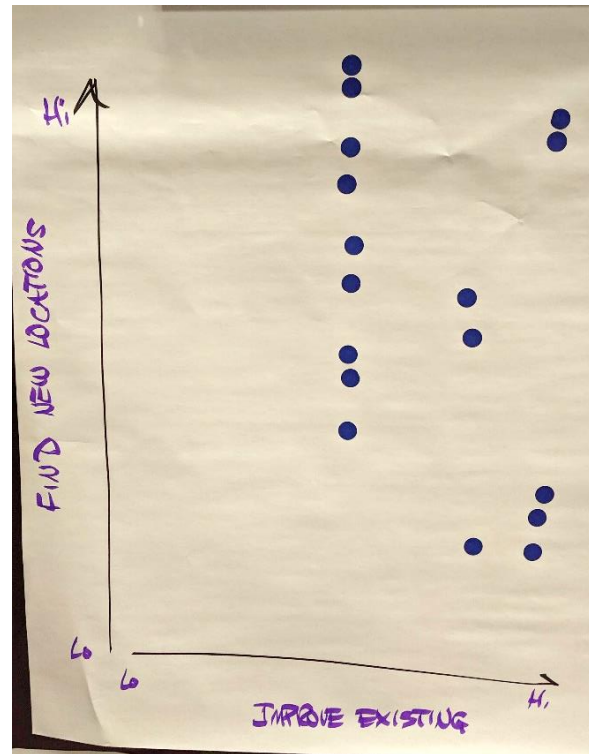
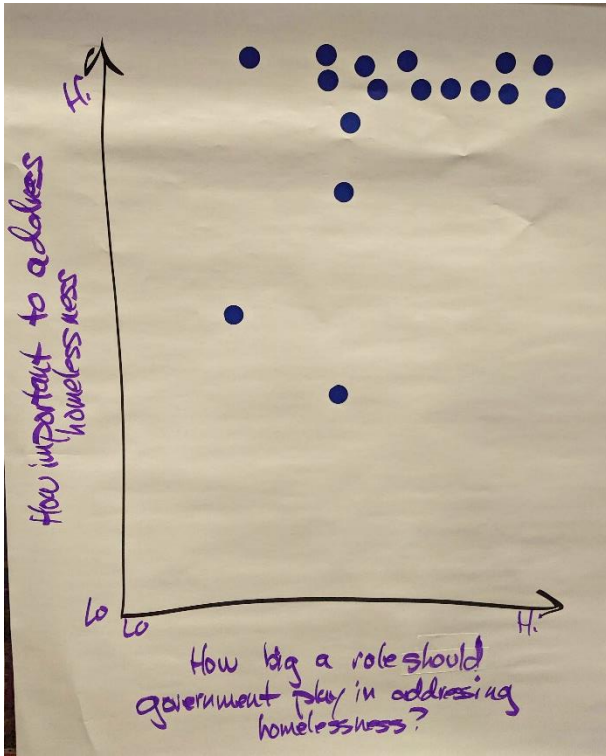
### Notes

#### **Welcome & Introductions**

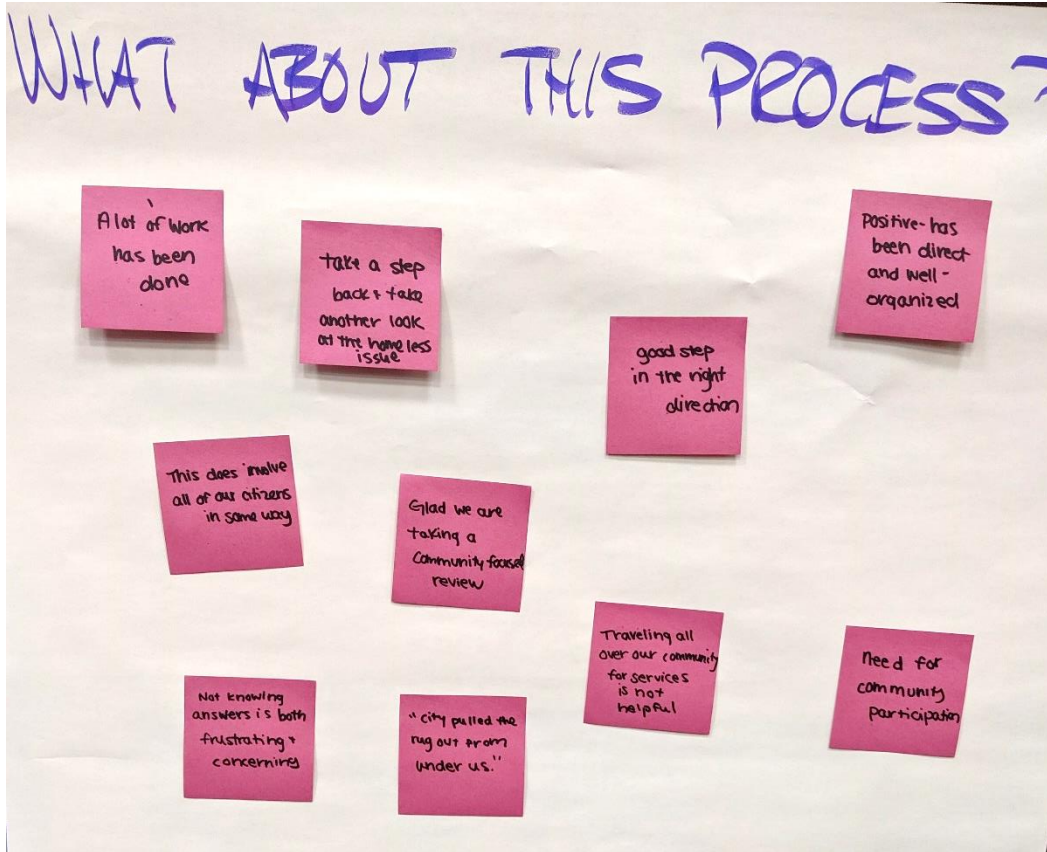
- City Manager's charge for the committee
  - Nothing pre-determined here -you get to co-create - this is a really important conversation and re-boot - excited about the work, the learning and there is not one easy, simple answer.
  - When sticky situations present themselves, you're invited to lean in and stay curious
- Introductions, purpose and group norms
  - Using ground rules to create an effective container to have the conversations needed to learn together
  - Introduction of heroes: paired up and shared a story of something proud of; partner shared with the group what they heard that reflects the strengths of the other.  
The participants are bringing an amazing array of strengths to this group.

## Current Homelessness Responses

- Dot Votes showed the perspectives of participants in the scope and potential solution directions
  - importance of addressing homelessness + the role of government in addressing
  - should we find new locations + improve existing locations
  - how big of an issue is homelessness here + how much it needs to be addressed
  - private resources + public resources

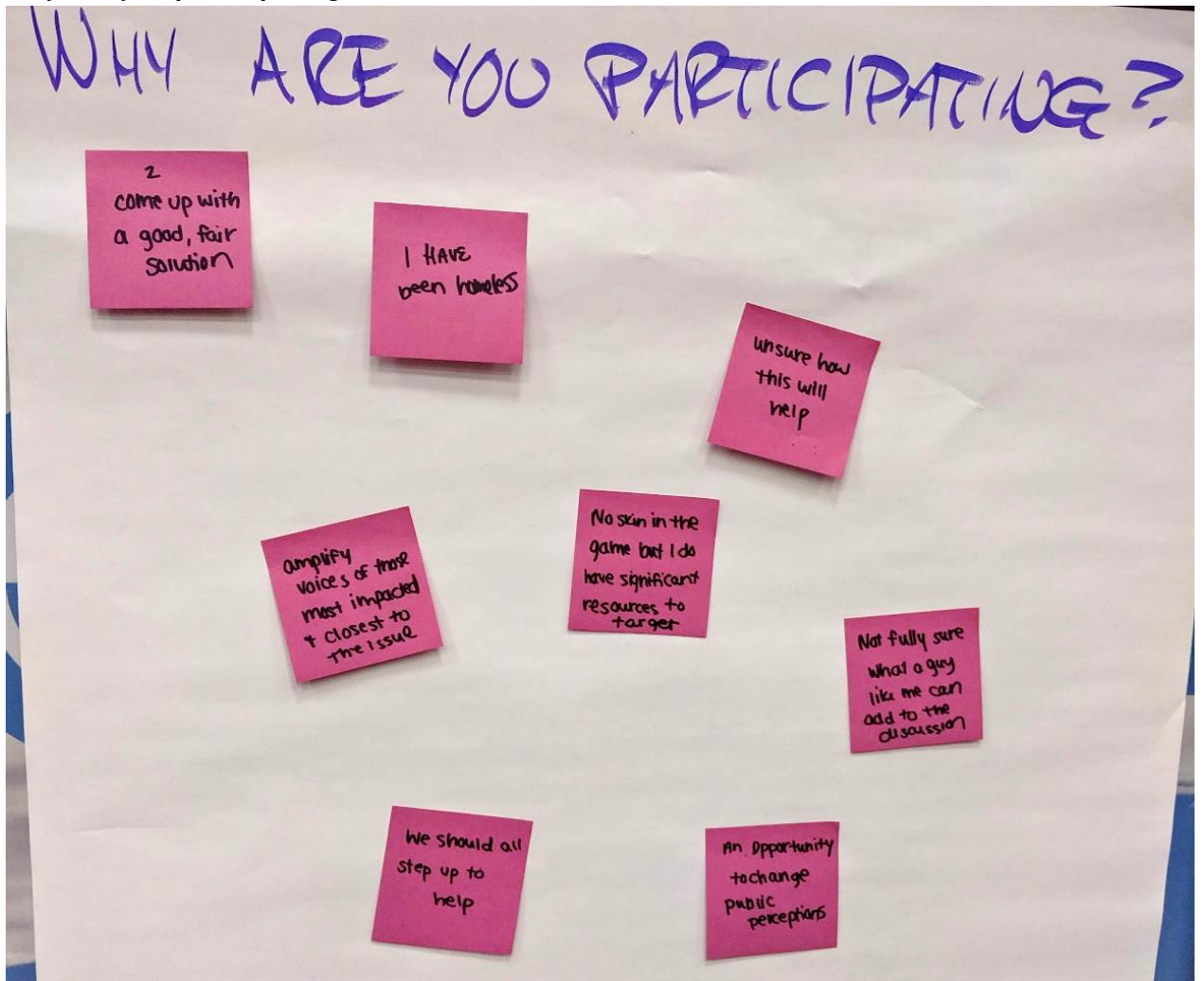


- Data on homelessness & current agencies responding were shared with the group.
- Four questions were sent to participants ahead of time; key points from the responses are shown on sticky notes below and were shared with the group.
- **HSHO Group discussion:** Further in-person discussion by the group is captured in bullet notes below each photo.
  - **What have you already heard about this process?**

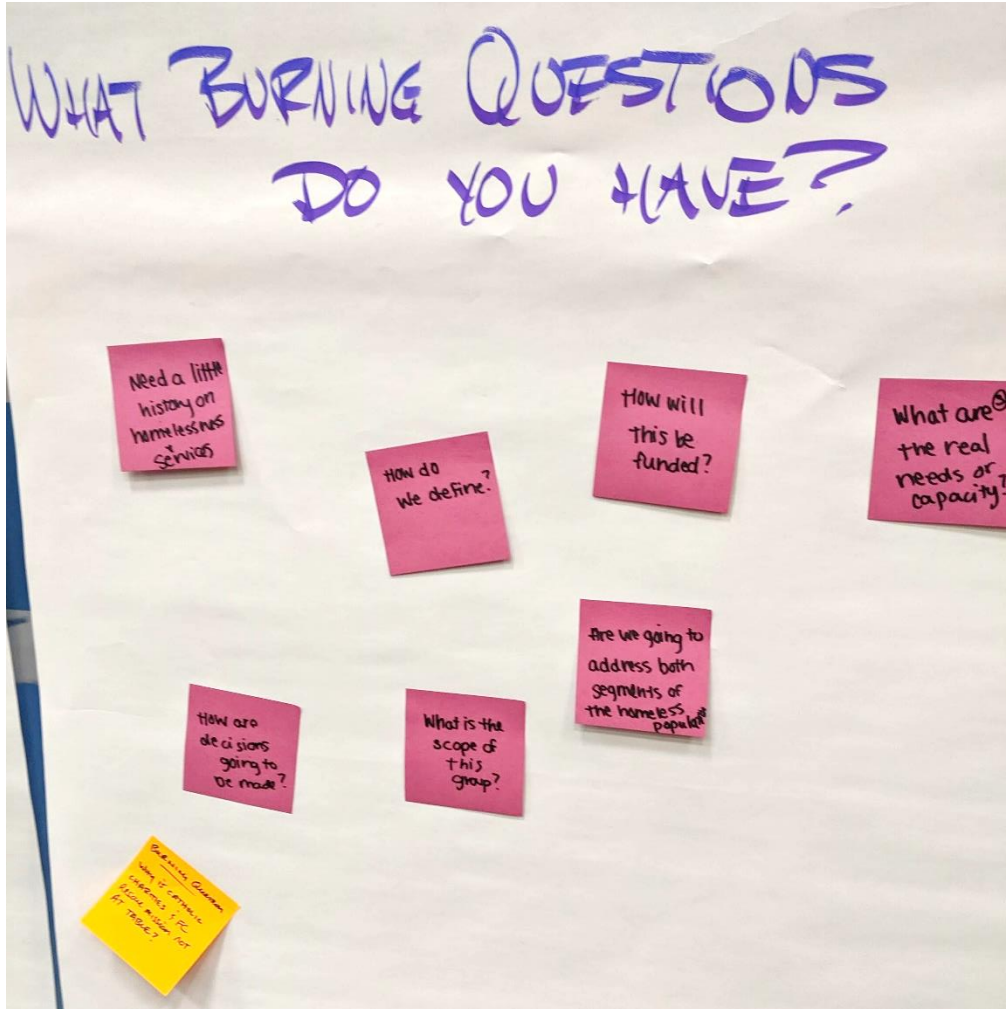


- Process defined as: How are we addressing issues Jeff brought up? What is the city's role? Co-located services in North Fort Collins? A more inclusive conversation and it could be that the process remains to be seen?
- Not sure what the process is either because have been involved in "the process" for 20 years - didn't know anything about the campus-wide goal until read a Coloradoan article
- Didn't hear about it until process was done - grateful to hear it was re-booted - initial concern that cart was put before the horse
- What is the end result?

○ Why are you participating?



- What burning questions do you have?



- Better understand why Catholic Charities is not at the table with us?  
Jeff shared they were intentional in selecting representatives who would not directly benefit from decisions made
- Will previous work accomplished be presented?
- Was the County invited?  
The County was not invited - will discuss this as a group next time

- What will success look or feel like?



## Meeting Feedback & Next Steps -

### Continue

- Sharing data
- Thumbs
- Small Groups
- Service providers bring in knowledge
- County/Catholic Charities discussion

### Start

- Defining the problem
- Defining homelessness differences
- Explore different approaches and philosophies -> diverse
- What are public and private resources?

### Stop

- When done

**Next meetings**

December 23<sup>rd</sup> - will do a tour to some of the service providers and not have a formal meeting that day pending availability by organization - the group committed to this decision. David Rout and Holly LeMasurier will work together to plan possibilities.

We know folks won't be able to attend all sessions and that is ok - please send a representative of your interests in your place with like-mind who can commit to ground-rules set out

Next meeting: **December 5, 4:00 - 6:00 pm, City Hall, 300 Laporte Ave.**