

Resolution 06-189-18

RESOLUTION CREATING AN AD HOC JOINT SENIOR SERVICES COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT A LONG TERM STUDY AND EVALUATION OF THE NECESSARY FUNDING AND GOVERNANCE MODEL TO EFFECTIVELY PROVIDE ADEQUATE SENIOR SERVICES TO PARTICIPATING COMMUNITY RESIDENTS.

Whereas, the senior population aged 65 and older in Birmingham, Beverly Hills, Bingham Farms and Franklin is projected to be the largest growing population segment over the next several decades and these communities wish to prepare for the service needs of this growing demographic , and

Whereas, the communities of Birmingham, Beverly Hills, Bingham Farms, Franklin and Southfield Township along with the Birmingham Public Schools (herein referred to as Governing Body) had previously established a Joint Senior Services Committee in 2012 to present recommendations for improved senior services, and

Whereas, the Joint Senior Services committee presented their final recommendations to the municipalities in 2013, which was comprised of a two phased approach to address near term (Phase 1) and longer term (Phase 2) initiatives, and

Whereas, Phase 1 involved increased services and hours based on increased funding requests to the member communities, and

Whereas, Phase 2 involved a longer term focus centered on a dedicated funding source to address further increasing service demands and facility needs, and

Whereas, additional study and analysis is necessary to advance recommendations for Phase 2 as the current senior services funding and governance model in these communities may be insufficient to meet the increasing demand for senior services, and

Whereas, the governing bodies of the Birmingham Public Schools, City of Birmingham, Village of Beverly Hills, Village of Bingham Farms, Village of Franklin and Southfield Township wish to explore ways to meet the increasing demand for senior services.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that an Ad Hoc Joint Senior Services Committee is hereby established to develop and recommend a long term plan for addressing the increasing demand for senior services in accordance with the following:

1. The Committee will be Ad Hoc. The term of the Committee shall continue until March 30, 2019 and the Committee will cease functioning unless otherwise directed by their respective Governing Body at that time.
2. The Governing Body hereby appoints representatives to the Ad Hoc Joint Senior Services Committee to be comprised of the following members.
 - a) One elected official from each respective Governing Body.
 - b) One resident member from each respective municipality appointed by each municipality.
 - c) One ex-officio member from each school and municipal administration.

3. All meetings of the Committee shall be open to the public. Agenda and minutes for all meetings shall be prepared.
4. The scope of the Committee shall be to develop a long term plan on how to best proceed in addressing the increasing demand for senior services in accordance with the following:
 - a. Review the Joint Senior Services Committee Final Recommendation to the Municipalities Report from June 2013.
 - b. Evaluate current service demands and projected trends for senior demographics and future service demands.
 - c. Analyze current funding sources and operational structure of the current contracted senior service model.
 - d. Compare and contrast current senior services funding and governance models in the participating communities to other area communities and best practices.
 - e. Review and evaluate cost and budget implications of any proposed recommendations and include strategic funding alternatives.
 - f. Compile the Committee's findings and recommendations into a report to be presented at the end of the Committee's term.
5. The Committee is not authorized to expend funds or enter into agreements. All recommendations made by the Committee shall be in the form of a report to the Governing Body.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the _____ hereby appoints
_____ as an elected official to the Ad Hoc Committee,
_____ as the resident member of the committee, and
_____ as an ex-officio administration official to the committee.