NONPROFIT SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
445 MARSAC AVE
PARK CITY, UTAH 84060

Minutes of July 15, 2026

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Pam Ross – Chair, Chris Neff – Vice Chair, Ingrid Contreras, Mindy Fauntleroy, Danny Glasser, Sloane Johnson.

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Hans Jasperson – Budget and Grants Project Coordinator

I. ROLL CALL

Pam Ross called the meeting to order just after 6:00 pm. Elyse Kats was absent; all other members were present.

II. COMMUNICATIONS AND DISCLOSURES FROM BOARD AND STAFF

1. City Council Meeting Review and Updates

Hans Jasperson provided the committee with an update on several items included in the City's newly adopted fiscal year budget. Jasperson noted that the base budget for nonprofit support is approximately $638,000, with $502,000 already committed to previously awarded public service contracts. This leaves $136,000 available for the Emergent Community Needs Grants across the four quarterly cycles in the current fiscal year.

The update also included information on additional arts-related funding. The City allocated $108,000 to fund previously awarded public service contracts to local arts & culture organizations. In addition, the City and Summit County are working collaboratively to fund a new director-level position at the Arts Council of Park City and Summit County to oversee implementation of the recently adopted Arts and Culture Master Plan, with the City budgeting $32,500 in FY27.

Jasperson reported that senior services, previously unfunded for FY27 through the grant process, will instead be supported through a two-year City contract of $50,000 annually within the general fund. Discussions continue regarding a future memorandum of understanding among the City, Summit County, and the seniors' organization to clarify operational responsibilities.

An update was also provided on the Child Care Scholarship Program. The City added $685,000 to the annual budget to continue this program, which provides scholarships to families and may be used at any licensed childcare provider within city limits.

Overall, Jasperson noted that the City has made significant additional investments in services aligned with the Committee's areas of interest, while maintaining the full funding level available for Emergent Community Needs Grants. Pam Ross asked whether a decision had been made about separate grant funding for arts & culture organizations in the future. Jasperson replied that those discussions are ongoing.

Chris Neff asked Jasperson about the likelihood of the $638,000 budget continuing into the next fiscal year. Jasperson replied that the Committee should consider the $638,000 as the base budget and that it may be adjusted up or down based on economic conditions, available resources, and Council priorities in future budget years. The Committee then discussed the timing of the next round of larger funding, noting that the conversations would likely begin in the winter and extend into the spring. Jasperson reiterated that new funds wouldn't be available to disburse until July of 2027.

2. Community Updates Roundtable

Danny Glasser shared that several organizations reported challenges meeting annual fundraising goals, with donors appearing more cautious despite rising operational costs and reductions in government funding. Some nonprofits, such as the National Ability Center, have offset losses through new sources, though staffing transitions in fundraising roles are contributing to uncertainty in development capacity.

Ingrid Contreras discussed upcoming changes to Medicaid and CHIP eligibility. Under new rules, only citizens and green-card holders will qualify for Medicaid, and state CHIP capacity is already at maximum enrollment. Individuals awaiting green cards, DACA recipients, and mixed-status households may lose access to Medicaid, CHIP, and marketplace insurance options. These shifts are expected to increase pressure on local safety-net providers. Glasser added that several organizations, including People's Health Clinic and Summit County Clubhouse, are already experiencing significant growth in demand as a result of these changes.

Committee members raised concerns about the local impacts of recent immigration enforcement actions. While direct activity may be limited, fear among immigrant households is contributing to rising stress levels, observable in both medical and mental health settings. Pam Ross noted that Wasatch Immigration has expanded staffing and volunteer capacity through increased funding.

Contreras also highlighted a gap in dental services: with the departure of a local pediatric Medicaid provider, families must travel to Heber to access a dentist who accepts Medicaid.

Ross shared an anecdote highlighting the general wellness and mental health impact resulting from increased ICE activity. A young woman who was referred to a cardiologist, who determined that her symptoms were caused by stress.

Ross then discussed broader collaborative efforts among funders. The Community Foundation's "Funders Guild" initiative aims to coordinate grantmaking practices, reduce administrative burden for nonprofits, and increase shared visibility across funding streams. Committee members recently held a productive conversation with Summit County's grants manager about aligning processes and understanding county funding priorities. Finally, members noted ongoing conversations about a proposed nonprofit hub space connected to the Dakota Pacific project. The concept includes shared back-office services and dedicated workspace for nonprofits. Specific planning details remain limited, but the idea continues to generate interest. Members also shared that Summit County is recruiting applicants for the Restaurant Tax Committee and the RAP Cultural Committee.

3. Annual Ethics Pledge, Disclosures, and OPMA Training

Hans Jasperson reminded members to turn in their annual signed ethics pledges and financial disclosures and to complete the annual Open Public Meetings Act training.

III. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

1. Consideration to Approve the Nonprofit Services Advisory Minutes from April 8, 2026

Motion: Danny Glasser moved to approve the minutes from April 8, 2026; Sloane Johnson seconded the motion.
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. Evaluation and Consideration of Emergent Community Needs Grant Applications

(A) Discussion (B) Action

Hans Jasperson noted that only four members of the Committee had completed the survey on the Emergent Community Needs Grant process. He recommended that the group postpone the discussion until all members have completed it. Pam Ross added that she would like to see a process that creates more separation in the scoring and ranking of applicants. She would also like to see each committee member assign a recommended award to each applicant as they score applications.

Jasperson then presented the aggregated scores from the Committee members' review of the slate of Emergent Community Needs Grant applications. Of the four applications received, Peace House and Park City Community Foundation received the highest average scores, followed by Bridge21, and Song Summit.

The Committee members discussed the strengths and weaknesses of each application. Members agreed that the applications from Peace House and Park City Community Foundation most closely met the definition of an unexpected, emergent need, rather than a request to fund normal operations. Peace House had experienced an unexpected increase in families in their domestic violence shelter, corresponding with increases in grocery costs, neither of which was anticipated. Park City Community Foundation's grant request addresses growing concerns among immigrant and mixed-status households who are hesitant to approach institutions for essential services such as housing, nutrition, and healthcare. The proposal would fund a mobile resource van to deliver services directly to these communities. Members then discussed whether the requested funding amount was appropriate for the emerging need.

The Committee then discussed Bridge21's request for $5,000 to purchase a mobile accessibility ramp. Members focused on the overall impact of the project, particularly for residents in the 84060 zip code. While the ramp would primarily serve the four residents in Bridge21's neurodiverse housing at Silver Creek Village, it could also be used at other locations and events hosted by the organization. Jasperson provided additional context regarding other support applicants receive from the City, noting that Park City Community Foundation and Peace House both hold current public service contracts, while Bridge21 has not previously received City funding. Chris Neff and Mindy Fauntleroy emphasized that although the request was relatively small, it could be transformative for certain community members. Fauntleroy also noted that the organization has low operating costs, diverse funding sources, and maximizes limited resources. Ross and Glasser recommended funding half of Bridge21's request, and other committee members agreed.

The Committee then discussed the Song Summit Foundation's request for funding to support the Song Summit Village, Song Summit Labs, and Song Summit Rising programs as part of its annual music festival. The 2025 festival received approximately $20,000 in City fee reductions, and the 2026 event will likely also receive some level of fee reduction. The planned 2026 festival includes several events and programs that will be open to the community. Sloane Johnson framed the request in the context of the other emergent needs identified during this grant cycle. Fauntleroy observed that the application sought funding for multiple programs rather than focusing on a single targeted initiative. Ingrid Contreras acknowledged the importance of the application's mental-wellness component but felt the proposal lacked clarity regarding how the community would participate in the events and programs. Several committee members noted that while they were generally supportive of the programming described, they did not see how funding an annual event met an emergent need. Glasser emphasized that the committee should remain clear about its purpose, and that the intent of this grant program is to address emergent needs.

Members expressed concern about making recommendations that would be acceptable to the City Council, which must approve all funding decisions. Jasperson reminded the Committee that, although the Council may accept, reject, or modify any recommendations, it will give serious consideration to the Committee's work. He also noted that the grant criteria were approved by Council, and the staff report will need to clearly describe how those criteria were applied and provide strong rationales for each recommendation. The Committee ultimately concluded that the Song Summit Foundation's application did not meet the emergent-need standard and should not be recommended for funding through this program. Instead, members encouraged the foundation to apply through the multi-year public service contract program or a potential future arts and culture grant.

The Committee then discussed award amounts for the grants recommended for funding. With an annual budget of $136,000, members aimed to keep total awards for this cycle under $34,000. The Committee ultimately agreed to the following amounts: Park City Community Foundation – $15,000; Peace House – $10,000; and Bridge21 – $2,500. As this is the first of four planned grant cycles in the fiscal year, the Committee recommended total funding of $27,500, leaving a balance of $108,500 for the remainder of the year.

Motion: Pam Ross moved to approve the committee's Emergent Community Needs grant recommendations; Sloane Johnson seconded the motion.
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.