



Board of Commissioners
Resolution
B2021-248

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Sponsor: Social Services

Meeting Date: 11/16/2021

Title: Name Change of the Chemical Health Committee

File Number: 2021-622

Background and Rationale:

For six months, the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Chemical Health Committee has engaged in name change conversations because the term “chemical health” is outdated and not seen as a strength-based name. Furthermore, chemical health can be a broad term that does not define the committee’s focus. As one of our residents described it, “referring to ‘recovery’ reflects a sense of a new well-being, hope, work yet to do, and a lifelong effort toward healing from a disease as well as all the wrap around considerations.”

The committee has therefore decided to change its name from Chemical Health Committee to Substance Use and Recovery Committee.

According to Section 2 of the Citizen Advisory Council Bylaws, a committee name change must be approved by the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners. A motion to accept the name change of the committee from “Chemical Health Committee” to Substance Use and Recovery Committee was passed unanimously by the Chemical Health Committee members on September 15, 2021.

Recommendation:

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners resolved to:

Approve the name change of the Citizens Advisory Committee - Chemical Health Committee to Substance Use and Recovery Committee

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner McGuire, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Motion passed.

Aye: - 7: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

By: 

Mee Cheng, Chief Clerk - County Board