

EXHIBIT C

TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS VETERANS' HOME TASK FORCE - Act 38 (SB 3)

Task: Create the Arkansas Veterans' Home Task Force to study issues related to opening a new Arkansas Veterans' Home and develop specific recommendations for the General Assembly.

Mission: Specifically, the Task Force is to conduct a needs assessment to evaluate number of current and future Arkansas veterans in need of such a facility and the extent of services; to evaluate potential locations using either existing facilities or new construction; and to evaluate the cost and methods to pay for the facility. To begin meeting May 1, and monthly thereafter, until presenting a report of findings on or before October 31, 2013. Based upon the Emergency Clause the act was effective on signing.

1. June 6, 2013 Task Force Meeting

- a. Determine need (ADVA)
 1. Projection of Veteran Population
 2. Identify existing facilities
 - a. Arkansas Veterans Home at Fayetteville
 - b. VA accredited Nursing Homes
 - c. Private Nursing Homes
- b. Services to be offered (ADVA)
 1. Veteran Day Care
 2. Assisted Living
 3. Nursing Home
 4. Dementia Care
 5. Hospice
- c. Update on Application Submittal (ADVA)
- d. Brief on the Facility Design and Construction Process (ABA)
- e. Location
 1. Location criteria
 - a. 20 acres minimum on level land for minimum site work
 - b. Residential or light commercial area
 - c. Utilities (sewer, water, gas, electricity, telephone, high speed internet)
 - d. Easy public access
 - e. Proximity to motels, restaurants, shopping
 - f. Proximity to healthcare facilities
 - g. Proximity to public transportation
 - h. Near emergency medical care facility
 - i. Appropriate accessibility
 - j. Public Acceptance
 2. Deadline for location proposals is July 3, 2013.
 3. Location proposals may be sent by mail or may be hand delivered to: Director, Arkansas Department of Veterans Affairs, 2200 Fort Roots Drive, Building 65, Room 119, North Little Rock, AR 72114.

f. Request Volunteers/Nominations for Location Advisory Panel
Advisory panel will meet on a day TBD during the week of July 8, 2013

g. Invitations are open for organizations to brief their facility Design, Build, Manage and Maintain concepts at the Task Force Meeting July 9, 2013.

2. July 9, 2013 Task Force Meeting

Organizations brief their facility Design, Build, Manage and Maintain concepts

3. Deadline for Location Proposals

a. July 3, 2013

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4. Deadline for Certification of State Funds

August 1, 2013 at Veterans Administration, Washington D. C.

5. August 5, 2013 Task Force Meeting

a. Announce top 3 Location proposals

b. Discuss facility operations and maintenance costs

1. Arkansas Department of Veterans Affairs
2. Arkansas Department of Human Services.
3. Contract

c. Discuss Revenue Sources

1. Private Pay
2. VA Per Diem
3. Medicaid
4. Medicare

d. Discuss Admission Criteria

1. Fayetteville: CRITERIA FOR ADMISSION
 - a. No criminal record
 - b. Honorable discharge
 - c. Arkansas residents have first priority
 - d. Veteran's spouses and Gold Star parents can apply for admission
 - e. Have a medical need for nursing home placement

2. Little Rock: (Former Home) CRITERIA FOR ADMISSION:
 - a. Honorable discharge
 - b. Residency in Arkansas
 - c. Meet income/asset guidelines
 - d. Submit a current medical summary
 - e. Totally disabled by Veterans Administration Guidelines
 - f. Ambulatory (walk, w/cane, walker or non-motorized wheelchair)
 - g. Express a desire to reside in the Arkansas Veterans Home
 - h. Enrollment in VA system with PCP assigned

6. September 11, 2013 Task Force Meeting

- a. Discuss Facility Design and Size
 1. Cottage Style
 2. Traditional Nursing Home Style
 3. Potential for multiple projects with phases
- b. Discuss recommendation as to what entity should construct operate and maintain facility
 1. State of Arkansas
 2. Contract

7. October 10, 2013 Task Force Meeting

Discuss Findings to be briefed to Legislature

Arkansas Department of Veterans Affairs

MISSION:

The Arkansas Department of Veterans Affairs provides assistance to Veterans and eligible dependents in acquiring state and federal benefits and services to which they are entitled.

GOALS:

- Train and certify 75 County Veterans Service Officers (CVSO).
- Prepare claims and present appeals on cases before the United States Department of Veterans Affairs for qualified Arkansas Veterans and eligible dependents.
- Advocate for Veterans' issues that impact benefits, status, and/or well-being.
- Operate and maintain Arkansas State Veterans Cemeteries and Arkansas State Veterans Homes.

(Current as of June 4, 2013)