

MINUTES OF September 28, 2021

ORS 190 ENTITY, MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY HOMELESS ALLIANCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING

Zoom Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT

PRESIDENT: Mayor Cathy Clark, City of Keizer

VICE PRESIDENT: Council President Chris Hoy, City of Salem

Commissioner Jeremy Gordon, Polk County

Tribal Councilwoman Lisa Leno, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde

Councilor Christopher Lopez, City of Monmouth

Jessica Stanton for Commissioner Colm Willis, Marion County

MEMBERS ABSENT

Councilor Shannon Corr, City of Independence

Christy Perry, Superintendent, Salem-Keizer School District

OTHERS PRESENT

Jan Calvin, MWVHA Consultant

Janet Carlson, MWVHA Consultant

Carla Munns, MWVHA Consultant

Denise VanDyke, Admin. Specialist II, MWVCOG

Eric Enderle, Veteran Services Officer, Polk County Veteran Services

Mari Anne Gest, Church at the Park

Kristin Retherford, City of Salem

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Clark called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m. The presence of a quorum was noted.

YHDP PLANNING GRANT

Ms. Carlson provided background and the status of the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) planning grant. Along with the recent YHDP grant award to the Marion-Polk region for \$3.7 million, the Alliance, as a Continuum of Care, was given an opportunity to quickly apply to the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) for a planning grant from FY 2019 funds. HUD disseminated the grant information on Friday, September 17, with the grant application due, and submitted, on Tuesday, September 21. In the grant application instructions, HUD stated that the grant contract is to be signed on Tuesday, September 28. Grant funds are to be obligated by Thursday, September 30, which is the end of the federal fiscal year. The period in which to spend the grant is November 1, 2021 through October 31, 2022. Staff needs board authorization to accept the planning grant and for Chair Clark to sign the planning grant contract. The contract has not yet been received, so we do not yet know the final amount. The requested amount for the planning grant is \$146,400 which will be allocated to dedicated staff time to coordinate grant activities and compensation for participating youth.

MOTION: By Councilor Hoy, **SECONDED by** Commissioner Gordon, to **ACCEPT THE HUD YHDP PLANNING GRANT AND AUTHORIZE CHAIR CLARK TO SIGN THE PLANNING GRANT CONTRACT, AS PRESENTED.**

Motion carried.

IN FAVOR: Clark, Hoy, Gordon, Leno, Lopez, Stanton. **OPPOSED:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Executive Committee will meet in two weeks.

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, Chair Clark adjourned the meeting at 8:38 a.m.

Janet Carlson, MWVHA Consultant