MINUTES OF September 15, 2022

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

Videoconference via Zoom

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Renee Pfeffer for Hank Crapser, Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD)
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Jan Calvin, MWVHA Consultant
Janet Carlson, MWVHA Consultant
Denise VanDyke, Admin. Specialist II, MWVCOG
Scott Dadson, Executive Director, MWVCOG
Councilor Laura Reid, City of Keizer
Melanie Fletcher, Salem Housing Authority
Deanna Gwyn, Blum Real Estate
Hailey Hulsey, Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action Agency
Tanisha Rosas, Marion County
Josie Silverman-Mendez, Willamette Health Council
Nicole Thomas, Word's Out PR

CALL TO ORDER
Chair Clark called the special meeting to order at 3:06 p.m. The presence of a quorum was noted.

CONSENT AGENDA
Chair Clark read the list of Consent Agenda items. Item #1, approval of the agenda, was pulled for discussion. The Built for Zero quarterly report was deferred again, as data has not yet been received.

MOTION: By Commissioner Gordon, **SECONDED by** Councilor Lopez, to **APPROVE ITEMS 2, 3, 4, AND 5 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA, AS PRESENTED.**

3. **APPOINT TIM WEESE, COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY, TO THE OREGON MULTI-COC HMIS GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE AND ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF ELLIOTT LAPINEL**
4. **REAPPOINT KLOI SPENCER AS YOUTH ACTION BOARD CHAIR AND APPOINT AH'ANA RABB AS VICE CHAIR**
5. **REAPPOINT SPENCER W. TO THE YOUTH ACTION BOARD AND ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF ARAYA J.**
6. **WAIVE THE YOUTH STIPEND POLICY REQUIREMENT REQUIRING A SIGNED STIPEND AGREEMENT BE PROVIDED TO THE MWVCOG FINANCE DIRECTOR DUE TO SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES IN THE INDIVIDUAL CASE OF ZOLONI G. AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF $54 IN ACCRUED STIPENDS**

Discussion: None.
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Clark, Hoy, Bethell, Clem, Corr, Frizzell, Gordon, Lopez, Lozier, Perry, Spencer, Zepeda.
OPPOSED: None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

Item #1, Agenda Approval. Councilor Lopez stated that his understanding was that this meeting would be focused on the Youth Action Board (Backbone), although he understands that the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) is a timely item. He would recommend adding an item to the agenda, before Item C, to form a Board-Backbone task force to discuss matters previously put off.

MOTION: By Commissioner Gordon, **SECONDED by** Ms. Spencer, to **ADD ITEM B.1. AS DISCUSSED.**
Discussion: A friendly amendment made by Mayor Clark to change it to item G.1. was refused.

Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Clark, Bethell, Clem, Corr, Frizzell, Gordon, Lopez, Lozier, Perry, Spencer, Zepeda.
OPPOSED: Hoy. **ABSTAINED:** None.

ESTABLISHING A JOINT ALLIANCE BOARD-BACKBONE WORK GROUP OR TASK FORCE

Councilor Lopez stated that the Alliance board has an immense amount of duties on its plate. The Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) matter has been on three months' worth of agendas. Historically, we have not been able to get to this item. He proposed a workgroup with even numbers of Alliance Board and Youth Action Board (Backbone) members to uphold our promise to have a YHDP debriefing, and as a first step for more participation by Backbone members. This would take the onus from the board.

Mayor Clark said that the board asked to schedule a joint work session with Backbone, but the work session has not yet been scheduled. She is not comfortable presuming that a workgroup would be sufficient in the eyes of both boards.

Discussion ensued regarding what and if this issue had been discussed. Ms. Bradshaw reported discussions expressing interest from Backbone in both a workgroup and a joint work session. Not all YAB members are interested in fully revisiting the YHDP situation, so sequencing might be vital. Ms. Hulsey invited the board members to an informal visit first at a button making session on Monday as a meet and greet opportunity. Mayor Clark replied that, unfortunately, that is City Council meeting night for many, but it is a great idea. Mr. Zepeda asked if alternates could be there? Mayor Clark explained that the work session is everyone, but the appointed workgroup members would only fully participate in a workgroup meeting.

Councilor Lopez said he feels strongly that the board should appoint the workgroup and assign them to schedule a full work session, then assign other tasks related to the YDHP debrief and moving forward. Mayor Clark said that we have asked to have the work session scheduled, and she is very frustrated that scheduling has not happened.

Ms. Carlson pointed out that the motion at the August 11 meeting was bring all items not completed to the agenda for this special meeting. Ms. Bradshaw apologized for misunderstanding direction regarding scheduling and said she will work on scheduling the requested meeting. Discussion continued with board members expressing frustration regarding it taking so long to convene the joint meeting.

MOTION: By Superintendent Perry, **SECONDED by** Ms. Spencer, to **HAVE TWO VOLUNTEERS FROM THE BOARD WORK WITH MS. BRADSHAW TO SCHEDULE THE REQUESTED WORK SESSION.**
Discussion: A friendly amendment made by Mayor Clark to include Ms. Spencer or another designated YAB member was accepted by Ms. Spencer. Councilor Lopez stated that he will vote against this motion because it is not strong enough. Commissioner Gordon asked if Councilor Lopez will volunteer for the workgroup. Councilor Lopez replied that he will, if the motion passes, because he will always support the will of the larger group. There was discussion of the tasks, and Mayor Clark cautioned to not presuppose anything. A request was made for an update at the September 28 board meeting.
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Clark, Hoy, Bethell, Clem, Frizzell, Gordon, Lozier, Perry, Spencer, Zepeda. **OPPOSED:** Corr, Lopez. **ABSTAINED:** None.

FY 22 AND SPECIAL NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY (NOFO)

Ms. Carlson stated that the September 28 board meeting agenda will be NOFO heavy. However, there

are a few items that need to be voted on today, as well.

1) **Approve a letter of support for Salem Housing Authority's application for stability vouchers.** Councilor Hoy announced that, as he chairs the Salem Health Authority Board, he will abstain from voting on this item.

MOTION: By Mr. Clem, **SECONDED by** Councilor Lopez, to **APPROVE A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR SALEM HOUSING AUTHORITY'S APPLICATION FOR STABILITY VOUCHERS.**
Discussion: None.
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Clark, Bethell, Clem, Corr, Frizzell, Gordon, Lopez, Lozier, Perry, Spencer, Zepeda.
OPPOSED: None. **ABSTAINED:** Hoy.

2) **Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Willamette Education Service District to coordinate services for children and families experiencing homelessness.** This MOU will be described in the NOFO narrative and will help strengthen Alliance ties with the region's school districts, especially rural.

MOTION: By Superintendent Perry, **SECONDED by** Commissioner Gordon, to **APPROVE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH WILLAMETTE EDUCATION SERVICE DISTRICT TO COORDINATE SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS.**
Discussion: There was a question about the geographic parameters where WESD serves. Superintendent Perry volunteered her support as a liaison.
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Clark, Hoy, Bethell, Clem, Corr, Frizzell, Gordon, Lopez, Lozier, Perry, Spencer, Zepeda.
OPPOSED: None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

3) **Approve a reallocation of $30,068 to be incorporated into the Preliminary Prioritized List to be approved at the September 28 board meeting.** Ms. Carlson explained that an anticipated renewal project application was not received by the local competition deadline. After confirming with the provider that an application was not submitted, Ms. Carlson and Ms. Calvin contacted HUD to understand the board's options. HUD provided two options: transfer the contract immediately to a new provider or reallocate the funds. The Performance and Evaluation Committee recommended the reallocation, as described. The Review and Ranking Subcommittee unanimously supported reallocation, as well. The reallocated funds have been integrated into the Preliminary Prioritized List, which the board will consider at the September 28 meeting. Councilor Lopez asked for more information on why the application was not submitted. Ms. Calvin explained the provider ran out of time and there was confusion about the process. Councilor Lopez suggested that smaller providers may need more support. Ms. Carlson explained that the provider does not yet have the HUD contract from the FY 21 local competition and did attend the Applicant Workshop. Mr. Jones asked if there was a sense of why the HUD contract had not yet been executed? Ms. Calvin said that she does not have enough detail to comment, but that is a good question and she will follow up. Commissioner Gordon provided some background on the provider's issues regarding the application. Mr. Jones explained that there have been ongoing problems for a long time getting HUD contracts in place. Ms. Lozier offered a suggestion on additional support sources that might be able to provide or share information.

MOTION: By Mr. Clem, **SECONDED by** Councilor Hoy, to **APPROVE A REALLOCATION OF $30,068 TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE PRELIMINARY PRIORITIZED LIST TO BE APPROVED AT THE**

SEPTEMBER 28 BOARD MEETING.
Discussion: None.
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Clark, Hoy, Bethell, Clem, Corr, Frizzell, Gordon, Lopez, Lozier, Perry, Spencer, Zepeda.
OPPOSED: None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

ORS 190 ENTITY BUSINESS
Ms. Carlson described each agenda item.

1) Approve the FY 2021 HUD planning grant contract in the amount of $32,496. This planning grant application was included as part of the 2022-23 annual budget which the board approved. HUD has sent us the contract that we need to accept.

MOTION: By Councilor Hoy, **SECONDED by** Commissioner Gordon, to **ACCEPT THE CONTRACT FOR THE FY 2021 HUD PLANNING GRANT, AS PRESENTED.**
Discussion: None.
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Clark, Hoy, Bethell, Corr, Gordon, Lopez, Perry. **OPPOSED:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

2) Approve the HUD YHDP planning grant contract in the amount of $159,680. This is the same situation as above, except that this relates to receiving the YHDP planning grant contract from HUD.

MOTION: By Councilor Hoy, **SECONDED by** Councilor Lopez, to **ACCEPT THE CONTRACT FOR THE HUD YHDP PLANNING GRANT, AS PRESENTED.**
Discussion: None.
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Clark, Hoy, Bethell, Corr, Gordon, Lopez, Perry. **OPPOSED:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

PUBLIC COMMENT
None.

NOFO DEBRIEFING
Ms. Carlson introduced Mr. Jones to provide background. Mr. Jones provided historical information regarding HUD and the process of the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO). In 2011, two critical pieces – HMIS and Coordinated Entry (CE) were implemented. This was a pivot point for Community Action and was the driver for the Marion-Polk partners to join the Rural Oregon Continuum of Care (ROCC). Today, we are in a better spot, but there are still improvements to be made, such as getting all shelter beds on HMIS.

Ms. Carlson gave a presentation about the HUD feedback for the FY 21 Consolidated Application. A consolidated application means that the local project providers apply to the Continuum of Care (CoC) and we include those project applications as part of our annual application to HUD. HUD does not provide a detailed score sheet that includes every item, and the CoC did well on the vast majority of items where feedback was provided. She described areas that the CoC needs to work on. These include connections with education service providers and creating partnerships with healthcare organizations. The HMIS bed coverage rate is a problem, and discussions are underway to add a major provider. The scores about our local competition were good. The PIT count received an excellent score. System Performance Measures is a pivotal area. We only received some small deductions, which is good for a first submission. We lost 10 points for the Coordination with Housing and Health Care bonus section, as

we understood it was an optional section. Interestingly, we did not achieve the threshold score for the Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus, but were still awarded the funding. The final score was 141 out of 173. The median score was 143 and the weighted median was just over 153. Healthcare and housing partnerships and shelter beds in HMIS will be vital to improving our scores.

Superintendent Perry said she will send staff an email with education related and system performance area resources to help improve. Ms. Calvin said that there ware some questions specifically regarding providers and some about the CoC. Councilor Hoy asked which shelter beds are not included and what do we need to change? Ms. Calvin replied that a larger percentage of participation is needed, and we are working with Union Gospel Mission about using HMIS. Ms. Lozier said the Health and Safety Subcommittee would welcome an opportunity to help. Mayor Clark asked about discharge information from Oregon State Hospital. Ms. Carlson said that Marion County partners with the Oregon State Hospital, and Marion County partners with the Alliance. Mayor Clark stated that more warm handoffs are needed, especially with youth and mental health facilities, and we can include help from the Health and Safety Subcommittee.

YHDP PROCESS REVIEW – SCOPE OF WORK

Ms. Carlson noted that Ms. Calvin developed an evaluation plan at the board's request and received five responses from board members after sending the document out for comment. Those comments were mixed and are included with the meeting materials. The primary request to amend the plan is to use a neutral third party, which is best practice. Ms. Carlson asked how the board intends to pay for those services? Councilor Lopez said his understanding is that the technical assistance (TA) resources are available through the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP). He stated that we have not heavily leveraged our TAs as much as we could. Ms. Carlson expressed concerns that the evaluators be neutral and that the TAs were engaged in the discord and would not be considered neutral. Ms. Frizzell stated that multiple firms provide technical assistance for HUD, and she disagrees that our TAs are not neutral. Ms. Bradshaw said that she has worked with other TAs, and we could ask for a reference. It was suggested that we ask April Mitchell about available resources. Commissioner Gordon stated his agreement with using the TAs and did not assume bias. Councilor Lopez stated his understanding that going into a new round is not a bad time to ask for reallocation of resources but agreed that bias has not been firmly established.

Mayor Clark asked that the current discussion be less emotional, without assumptions. Ms. Calvin explained that, to her, neutral means someone not involved in the process at all. Councilor Hoy said the people running the process are not neutral, but should be involved. He is not saying they are biased, but they were involved, so not neutral.

Mayor Clark suggested the first thing to look at is a format of the proposed evaluation process. Is anything missing or wrong? Youth involvement would be included in interviews. Youth would be asked do you feel you should/have been included in [step of process]. Methods of responding could be changed, for example, Zoom meetings, not email. Ms. Bradshaw said some youth who participated will be moving out of state soon. This evaluation process has been waiting since June. We need to not move too slowly.

Mayor Clark asked, are we satisfied with the "what"? It was suggested to leave things open to suggestions from the evaluators. Consensus appears to be yes.

The "who" is the next topic. Mayor Clark stated that there was clearly some discomfort with the TAs who participated. Ms. Carlson noted that there was no longer a quorum at the meeting. Discussion included frustrations expressed regarding this topic being put at the bottom of the agenda. Mr. Mennig

said we need to look at why we consistently do not get through our agenda and see if we can solve the problem or change the behavior. Mayor Clark suggested that the board move forward with asking April Mitchell from HUD for her recommendation and report the information back to the board, given that we had consensus with the "what" before we lost the quorum.

Ms. Carlson noted that Mr. Dadson had been waiting to discuss the staffing proposal. She recommended working with Mr. Dadson to find a future meeting time to discuss the staffing question.

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, Chair Clark adjourned both meetings at 5:13 p.m.

Janet Carlson, MWVHA Consultant

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Tricia Frizzell, Salem Health
Ashley Hamilton, Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action Agency
Hailey Hulsey, Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action Agency
Ah'ana Rabb, Youth Action Board (Backbone)
Councilor Laura Reid, City of Keizer
Megan Wai, Senator Patterson's Office

CALL TO ORDER
Chair Clark called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m. The presence of a quorum was noted.

CONSENT AGENDA
Chair Clark read the list of Consent Agenda items. Item #2, approval of the August 11 minutes, was deferred as the minutes were not yet completed.

MOTION: By Commissioner Gordon, **SECONDED by** Councilor Lopez, to **APPROVE ITEMS 1, 3 and 4 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA, AS PRESENTED.**

1. **AGENDA**
3. **ACCEPT SAM N. AND NAOMI P. RESIGNATIONS FROM THE YOUTH ACTION BOARD**
4. **APPOINT CHRIS HOY, DAN CLEM, RHONDA WOLF, JOSIE SILVERMAN-MENDEZ, DANIELLE BETHELL, AND JEREMY GORDON TO A WORKGROUP TO MEET WITH SCOTT DADSON OF THE MWVOG TO DEVELOP A POSITION DESCRIPTION AND PROCESS TO HIRE AN EMPLOYEE**

Discussion: None.
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Clark, Hoy, Corr, Gordon, Lopez, Lozier, Perry, Phillips, Retherford, Slama, Stanton, Wolf, Zepeda. **OPPOSED:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

Mayor Clark referred to the workplan and budget report provided in the agenda packet and asked members to take the time to review these monthly updates.

ORS 190 ENTITY BUSINESS
Mayor Clark introduced the agenda items.

1) Approve the cash match letter for the FY 22 CoC planning grant – Ms. Carlson explained that this is one of the documents that will be submitted with the HUD Consolidated Application.

MOTION: By Superintendent Perry, **SECONDED by** Councilor Hoy, to **APPROVE THE CASH MATCH**

LETTER FOR THE FY 22 COC PLANNING GRANT, AS PRESENTED.
Discussion: None.
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Clark, Hoy, Corr, Gordon, Lopez, Perry, Stanton. **OPPOSED:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

2) Approve revisions to the ORS 190 Entity banking resolution – Ms. Carlson explained that there is a change of MWVCOG managers who sign checks on our behalf.

MOTION: By Commissioner Gordon, **SECONDED by** Councilor Hoy, to **APPROVE RESOLUTION 2022-02 – REVISIONS TO ORS 190 BANKING RESOLUTION, AS PRESENTED.**
Discussion: None.
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Clark, Hoy, Corr, Gordon, Lopez, Perry, Stanton. **OPPOSED:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

PUBLIC COMMENT
None.

HUD NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY
Ms. Carlson introduced the Consolidated Application for the FY 2022 Continuum of Care (CoC) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) which is due to the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) on September 30. Ms. Carlson described each section of the application, including example questions and responses.

Inclusive structure – The Alliance, serving as the CoC for the Marion-Polk region, extends an open invitation for new members, announces the NOFO to organizations that have not been previously funded, and invites input from the public on preventing and ending homelessness.

Coordination and Engagement – This section includes a number of questions regarding involvement with various sectors including education, health and mental health, public housing authorities, early childhood services, and victim services. Included in this section was a narrative response requiring verification about how, for every project that checks off that they use a Housing First process, the CoC verifies that they are actually doing so.

Ms. Calvin reported that annual Coordinated Entry system evaluation uses a tool provided by HUD that lays out the items that are required, recommended, and optional. Of those required elements one involves the Housing First approach and how we use this approach. This verification is done by a subcommittee of the Coordinated Entry Committee. Ms. Calvin and Ms. Carlson provided a brief background on the Housing First approach.

Local Competition – The review and ranking process was recently completed, and a ranked priority list will be brought before the board later in the presentation. The entire process is examined in this section. Data was submitted by providers with their applications, all of which needed to be considered during the review process. Ms. Carlson thanked the members of the Review and Ranking Subcommittee. An example of project performance data was shared and explained by Ms. Calvin.
Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) – This section asked for technical information about HMIS and required data reports that are submitted to HUD throughout the year. Ms. Calvin described bed count data included in the application response.

Point in Time (PIT) Count – This section responds to the annual PIT Count. Ms. Calvin noted that this year there was an effort to make the PIT Count process easier for youth to participate in.

System Performance Measures – The board received a report on System Performance Measures (SPM) at a recent board meeting. This section asked for the CoC's strategies in addressing each required SPM, along with designation of the name of the person or organization responsible for a particular performance measure.

Coordination with Housing and Healthcare – Last year, this was a bonus section and our CoC did not participate, but ultimately the HUD points were counted against us. This year, the Center for Hope & Safety incorporated a healthcare partnership with Salem Health for the DV Bonus application. Ms. Carlson expressed appreciation to Salem Health.

DV Bonus Project Application – Center for Hope & Safety was recommended for this new project. Questions in this section covered topics that included safety, confidentiality, trauma-informed care, and experience of the organization in providing domestic violence services and housing. Survivor choice is paramount. Ms. Calvin added that the data shows extensive need for domestic violence services in the Marion-Polk region.

Ms. Carlson concluded that the Consolidated Application includes the CoC Planning Grant, the Final Prioritized List of service projects, and responses in the CoC application that have been presented here, a total of 11 attachments, 40 tables, and 141 narrative questions.

Ms. Carlson added that the Special NOFO application will be presented at the October 13 board meeting.

Ms. Carlson provided an overview of the Final Prioritized List of applicants, recommended by the Review & Ranking Subcommittee. Today, we need both boards to approve the Consolidated Application, the Final Prioritized list, and the CoC Planning Grant application. All those who participated in the process were thanked.

Councilor Lopez reported an organizational conflict and was asked to recuse himself from the vote on the Final Prioritized List. Commissioner Gordon noted a similar conflict.

Item 1 – CoC Consolidated Application

Alliance Board:

MOTION: By Councilor Lopez, **SECONDED by** Councilor Hoy, to **APPROVE FY 2022 CONTINUUM OF CARE CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION, AS PRESENTED.**
Discussion: None.
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Clark, Hoy, Clem, Corr, Gordon, Lopez, Lozier, Perry, Phillips, Retherford, Slama, Stanton, Wolf, Zepeda. **OPPOSED:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

ORS 190 Entity Board:

MOTION: By Councilor Corr, **SECONDED by** Councilor Lopez, to **APPROVE FY 2022 CONTINUUM OF CARE CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION, AS PRESENTED.**
Discussion: None.
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Clark, Hoy, Corr, Gordon, Lopez, Perry, Stanton. **OPPOSED:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

Item 2 – Final Prioritized List

Alliance Board:

MOTION: By Mr. Clem, **SECONDED by** Superintendent Perry, to **APPROVE THE FINAL PRIORITIZED LIST FOR THE CoC CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION, AS PRESENTED.**
Discussion: None.
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Clark, Hoy, Clem, Corr, Gordon, Lopez, Lozier, Perry, Phillips, Retherford, Slama, Stanton, Wolf, Zepeda. **OPPOSED:** None. **ABSTAINED:** Gordon, Lopez.

ORS 190 Entity Board:

MOTION: By Superintendent Perry, **SECONDED by** Ms. Stanton to **APPROVE THE FINAL PRIORITIZED LIST FOR THE CoC CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION, AS PRESENTED.**
Discussion: None.
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Clark, Hoy, Corr, Perry, Stanton. **OPPOSED:** None. **RECUSED:** Gordon, Lopez.

Item 3 – CoC Planning Grant

Alliance Board:

MOTION: By Councilor Hoy, **SECONDED by** Commissioner Gordon, to **APPROVE THE FY 2022 CONTINUUM OF CARE PLANNING GRANT, AS PRESENTED.**
Discussion: None.
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Clark, Hoy, Clem, Corr, Gordon, Lopez, Lozier, Perry, Phillips, Retherford, Slama, Stanton, Wolf, Zepeda. **OPPOSED:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

ORS 190 Entity Board:

MOTION: By Superintendent Perry, **SECONDED by** Councilor Lopez, to **APPROVE THE FY 2022 CONTINUUM OF CARE PLANNING GRANT, AS PRESENTED.**
Discussion: None.
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Clark, Hoy, Corr, Gordon, Lopez, Perry, Stanton. **OPPOSED:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

YOUTH HOMELESSNESS DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM (YHDP) UPDATE

The board deferred this item on the agenda waiting for members to arrive. However, Ms. Hulsey reported that she had been unable to reach Ms. Spencer. There will be a memorial for a David Buntjer, a Backbone member who unfortunately passed away last week, to include a candlelight vigil. Another youth who was friends with Backbone members was also lost this week. There will be a gathering to share lasagna and bacon cheeseburgers and paint rocks, to which Alliance board members were invited to come and show support for the youth. As a sort of silver lining, one of the youths was an organ donor, so eight lives were saved by his loss. Mayor Clark added that notes and messages will be collected and read, for those who wish to participate, but are not available to do so in person. Contributions are being collected for a gift basket for David's dog, Odin, as another way to show support. A suggestion was

made to add a year's subscription for BarkBox or ChewyBox as ongoing support. Mayor Clark reiterated that we are all grieving together, and this is where being a community is vital to provide support and make sure that these youth know that they are loved.

Ah'ana Rabb shared the next steps for the joint work session with the Alliance board and Youth Action Board (Backbone). The event will take place on Wednesday, October 19, from 4:30-7:30 p.m. This date was the best for most participants, so apologies to those who will not be able to make the meeting. This meeting will be hosted by the Salem Housing Authority in their Community Room at the Church Street location. Sancho's Taco Truck will provide food, starting at 4:30 p.m. Ms. Rabb explained the agenda for the joint work session.

Councilor Lopez added that there is a lot of support coming in from multiple angles and expressed his hope that as many members as possible will attend. Councilor Hoy clarified that the location of the Salem Housing Authority is in the Robert Lindsey Tower on Church Street. The invitation will be sent out to everyone.

Ms. Hulsey thanked everyone for the many responses. This has been her first time dealing with the loss of a youth. The support has been really appreciated. Rory Phillips agreed that the support has been great.

JURISDICTION AND ORGANIZATION UPDATES

Ms. Hulsey mentioned that the candlelight vigil for David will be held on October 3. She will work with Ms. Bradshaw to spread the word once a location has been determined.

Councilor Corr thanked Commissioner Gordon and Brent DeMoe for coming to the city council meeting last night to give an update on the Polk County Prevention Office. She said that the issue is moving generally in the right direction.

Councilor Hoy reported that the City of Salem is moving micro-shelter residents from Portland Road to Center Street across from Safeway. A third micro-shelter community on Turner Road has been approved for youth. Church @ the Park is doing great work. Salem Housing Authority was one of a few public housing agencies to be selected nationwide as part of a Moving To Work demonstration program. It's an asset building cohort program through HUD, with increased flexibility and an increased emphasis on self- sufficiency.

Mr. Clem described a health services addition at Simonka House. JD Health has been working with the Men's Mission and is now seeing women and children at Simonka House. Services include a stabilization room and more peer support counseling, Through contributions from donors, Union Gospel Mission redid showers and bathrooms at Simonka House. Mayor Clark added a "shout out" to Simonka House residents who really pitch in with community events and have a heart for giving.

Councilor Lopez noted the recent Punx in the Park event on September 17 – a resource event held in downtown Salem. He asked Ms. Hulsey for a report. Ms. Hulsey described the event as an alternative resource event put on by Punx With Purpose. There were five local punk bands, and it was fully regulated with no negative events at all, and more than 300 youth were helped through a clothing closet, supplies, tents, skateboarding, and guest speakers. Backbone hosted a table at the event and received membership applications.

Commissioner Gordon looks forward to the next Punx With Purpose event. In Polk County, the House Bill 4123 partnership is underway. A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed by all but one

jurisdiction. Advisory board members are being appointed and the first meeting should be in October. Brent DeMoe will be visiting with the Collaborative Committee to report. The county is hiring two new staff positions. Polk County purchased a bank building in downtown Dallas that will house a care center providing 24/7/365 crisis response services. There will be a stabilization center in the building where people can come sit in a trauma-informed room, relax, and get connected to resources and referrals. Councilor Corr added that a Punx event in Polk County is needed and asked if there will be the possibility of a tour when the facility is ready. Commissioner Gordon said the target date for the facility to open is summer of 2023, and there will be tours at that time.

Ms. Wolf gave an update on United Way's elder cottages project. They are about two-thirds of the way through fundraising and bidding on that project. The City of Salem has been very generous in helping with properties and other needs. Ms. Wolf stated that "we just need that last $1 million" and United Way will be making a push. The new Boys and Girls Club on Lancaster will be a huge positive space and a big resource for youth in Salem. Councilor Hoy added information about how the System Development Charges (SDC) waiver will work for affordable housing projects. This new policy is automatic with a deed restriction in place.

Councilor Hoy also gave a big shout out to Ms. Hulsey, explaining that they were able to meet in person recently, and he observed the Punx in the Park event and thought the atmosphere was great.

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, Chair Clark adjourned both meetings at 4:24 p.m.

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