MINUTES OF September 21, 2023

MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY HOMELESS ALLIANCE (MWVHA)
BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ORS 190 ENTITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS JOINT MEETING
Hybrid meeting: MWVCOG Conference Room 100 High St SE, Salem, OR 97301 and via Zoom

MWVHA BOARD

MEMBERS PRESENT

CHAIR: Commissioner Jeremy Gordon, Polk County
VICE CHAIR: Mayor Chris Hoy, City of Salem
Councilor Shannon Corr, City of Independence
Mayor Cathy Clark, City of Keizer
Alvin Klausen for Commissioner Danielle Bethell, Marion County
David Zepeda, Subject Matter Expert
Ian Dixon-McDonald, Vice President of Programs, Marion Polk Food Share; Co-Chair, CoC Collaborative Committee
Eric Enderle, Veteran Services Officer, Polk County Veteran Services
Tribal Councilwoman Lisa Leno, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde
Leilani Slama, Chief Communications and Community Relations Officer, Salem Health
Christy Perry, former Superintendent representing the Salem-Keizer School District
Rhonda Wolf, CEO, United Way of the Mid-Willamette Valley
Christine Sommer for Jason Icenbice, Marion County Housing Authority
Ashley Hamilton for Jimmy Jones, Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action Agency (MWVCAA)
Nicole Utz, Housing Administrator, Salem Housing Authority

MEMBERS ABSENT

Commissioner Danielle Bethell, Marion County
Dan Clem, Executive Director, Union Gospel Mission
Councilor Christopher Lopez, City of Monmouth
Kloi Spencer, Chair, Backbone (CoC's Youth Action Board)
Renee Pfeffer, Navigator, Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD)
Zaira Flores Marin, PacificSource Community Solutions
Adam Mennig, Director, Academic Development, Chemeketa Community College; Co-Chair, CoC Collaborative Committee
Jason Icenbice, Executive Director, Marion County Housing Authority
Christian Edelblute, Executive Director, West Valley Housing Authority

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STAFF AND GUESTS PRESENT
Tricia Frizzell, Salem Health
Jan Calvin, MWVHA Consultant
Deanna Gwyn, City of Salem Councilor
Linda Hansen, Mid-Willamette Valley Council of Governments (MWVCOG) Admin Support Coordinator
Elaine Lozier, MWVHA Executive Director
Sabrina Ruffner
Lynelle Wilcox

WELCOME
Chair Gordon called the joint meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. The presence of a quorum for the ORS 190 Board was noted. ORS 190 Business was conducted prior to the MWVHA Board business to ensure a quorum of the MWVHA Board was in attendance.

CONSENT AGENDA
Chair Gordon requested a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.
MOTION: By Mayor Hoy, **SECONDED** by Mayor Clark, to **APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA, AS PRESENTED.**
(1) agenda;
(2) 8-3-23 joint board meeting minutes;
(3) accept the resignation of Stephanie Gilbert from the HMIS Users Workgroup and Angelina M from Backbone (Youth Action Board); appoint Nicole Walker Sundby and Bianca Mendoza to the HMIS Users Workgroup; and
(4) adopt a CoC-wide Infectious Disease Prevention and Response Policy as prepared by the Health & Safety Subcommittee
Discussion: None.
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Gordon, Hoy, Corr, Clark, Klausen, Zepeda, Dixon-McDonald, Enderle, Leno, Slama, Perry, Wolf, Sommer, Hamilton, Utz. **OPPOSED:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

ORS 190 ENTITY BUSINESS
1. Consider approval of professional liability insurance quote from Huggins Insurance.
Lozier stated that there were no changes to the policy.

MOTION: By Mayor Clark, **SECONDED** by Mayor Hoy, that the ORS 190 **APPROVE THE PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE QUOTE FROM HUGGINS INSURANCE.**
Discussion: None.
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Gordon, Hoy, Corr, Clark, Klausen, Leno, Perry. **OPPOSED:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

2. Approve the cash match letter for the CoC Planning Grant and ratify the cash match letter for the HMIS Support Group Grant.
Lozier commented that this was not a ranked grant and would provide some funding to help meet HUD requirements.
MOTION: By Mayor Hoy, **SECONDED** by Mayor Clark, that the ORS 190 **APPROVE THE CASH MATCH LETTER FOR THE COC PLANNING GRANT AND RATIFY THE CASH MATCH LETTER FOR THE HMIS SUPPORT GRANT.**
Discussion: None
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Gordon, Hoy, Corr, Clark, Klausen, Leno, Perry. **OPPOSED:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

PUBLIC COMMENT
Lynelle Wilcox shared concerns about photos showing homeless individuals in situations that are dehumanizing. She would like to see a shared values statement to avoid sharing negative photos and videos. Commissioner Gordon asked that this topic be brought to the Collaborative Committee and then to the Executive Committee.

FY 23 NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY
Due to conflicts of interest by Commissioner Gordon and Mayor Hoy, Mayor Clark led this section of the meeting. Lozier summarized the CoC Consolidated NOFO application, Prioritized List and CoC Planning Grant with a PowerPoint presentation, providing time for comments, questions or proposals for edits. Calvin clarified that the Planning Grant starts October 2024.

1. ORS 190 Board approval of the FY 23 Consolidated Application.
MOTION: By Leno, **SECONDED:** by Perry, that the ORS 190 **APPROVE THE COC CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION.**
Discussion: None
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Corr, Clark, Klausen, Leno, Perry. **OPPOSED:** None. **ABSTAINED:** Hoy, Gordon.

2. MWVHA Board approval of the FY 23 Consolidated Application.
MOTION: By Wolf, **SECONDED** by Zepeda, to **APPROVE THE COC CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION.**
Discussion: None.
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Corr, Clark, Klausen, Zepeda, Dixon-McDonald, Enderle, Leno, Slama, Perry, Wolf, Sommer, Hamilton, Utz.
OPPOSED: None. **ABSTAINED:** Gordon, Hoy.

3. ORS 190 Board approval of the Prioritized List and CoC Planning Grant.

MOTION: By Perry, **SECONDED:** by Leno, that the ORS 190 **APPROVE THE PRIORITIZED LIST AND THE COC PLANNING GRANT.**
Discussion: None
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Corr, Clark, Klausen, Leno, Perry. **OPPOSED:** None. **ABSTAINED:** Hoy, Gordon.

4. MWVHA Board approval of the Prioritized List and CoC Planning Grant.
MOTION: By Wolf, **SECONDED** by Zepeda, to **APPROVE THE PRIORITIZED LIST AND THE COC PLANNING GRANT.**
Discussion: None.
Motion carried.
IN FAVOR: Corr, Clark, Klausen, Zepeda, Dixon-McDonald, Enderle, Leno, Slama, Perry, Wolf, Sommer, Hamilton, Utz. **OPPOSED:** None. **ABSTAINED:** Gordon, Hoy.

GOVERNOR'S EMERGENCY DECLARATION AND MULTI AGENCY COORDINATION (MAC) GROUP UPDATES

Calvin provided updates for the emergency shelter, rapid rehousing and eviction work. Lozier shared the State would be awarding the Homeless Alliance $850,000 to increase the CoC's rapid rehousing goal for the emergency order by 24 households, increasing the goal to 182 households by January 10, 2024. There was discussion about landlords charging high deposits.

JURISDICTIONAL/ORGANIZATION UPDATES

Wolf told the group about United Way's groundbreaking for their cottage project near Swegle Elementary School. Safe Sleep is nearing the completion of their renovation, providing 50 beds for women in need.

Mayor Clark shared that five ladies graduated from UGM's program into housing. She also mentioned Punx in the Park had double the vendors they had last year.

Perry stated that Julie Conn-Johnson's successor has been hired. The Salem-Keizer School Board has signed an MOU for a day treatment center for youth.

Commissioner Gordon shared about a housing summit in rural Polk County.

Mayor Hoy gave information on Viva Salem taking place at Riverfront Park on Saturday.

Utz stated a housing waiting list for seniors or people with disabilities would be opening soon and that the Sequoia Crossing project is still on time.

Hamilton shared the youth drop-in on Broadway is now open.

OTHER BUSINESS

Lozier stated that invoices would be sent by the MWVCOG to voting member organizations for dues to the MWVHA.

She also told the group that Backbone is looking for an ongoing meeting location and asked board members to reach out if they have recommendations.

ADJOURNMENT
Hearing no further business, Chair Gordon adjourned the meeting at 4:38 p.m.

Jeremy Gordon, MWVHA Chair & ORS 190 Entity President — Date 10-19-23

Attested:

Elaine Lozier, MWVHA Executive Director — Date 10-19-23