MINUTES OF August 8, 2024

MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY HOMELESS ALLIANCE (MWVHA)
BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL 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
Mayor Cathy Clark, City of Keizer
Councilor Christopher Lopez, City of Monmouth
Kathy Martin-Willis, City of Independence
Tribal Councilwoman Lisa Leno, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde
Rhonda Wolf, CEO, United Way of the Mid-Willamette Valley
Christy Perry, former Superintendent representing the Salem-Keizer School District
Dan Clem, Executive Director, Union Gospel Mission
Renee Pfeffer, Navigator, Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD)
Leilani Slama, Chief Communications and Community Relations Officer, Salem Health
Josie Silverman-Méndez, Deputy Director, Willamette Health Council
Nicole Utz, Housing Administrator, Salem Housing Authority
Amber Brady for David Zepeda, Subject Matter Expert
Sarah White, Co-Chair, CoC Collaborative Committee
Jason Icenbice, Executive Director, Marion County Housing Authority (MCHA)
Eric Enderle, Veteran Services Officer, Polk County Veteran Services
Tim Weese for Jimmy Jones, Executive Director, MWVCAA

MEMBERS ABSENT

Commissioner Danielle Bethell, Marion County
David Zepeda, Subject Matter Expert
Zaira Flores Marin, PacificSource Community Solutions
Christian Edelblute, Executive Director, West Valley Housing Authority
Christine Sommer, MCHA, Co-Chair, CoC Collaborative Committee
Jason Icenbice, Executive Director, Marion County Housing Authority (MCHA)
Jimmy Jones, Executive Director, MWVCAA

STAFF AND GUESTS PRESENT

Elaine Lozier, MWVHA Executive Director
Jan Calvin, MWVHA Consultant
Linda Hansen, Mid-Willamette Valley Council of Governments (MWVCOG) Admin Support Coordinator
Tricia Frizzell, Salem Health

Robert Marshall, MWVCAA
Sam Dompier

WELCOME

Chair Gordon called the special meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. The presence of a quorum for the MWVHA Board was noted.

HUD NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

Lozier clarified that HUD expects this process to be competitive with new projects. Prioritization of service types is to be based on community needs. Suggested priorities: 1. HMIS & CE gap. 2. Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) with a healthcare component. It was recommended that the funding gap for renewals should not be a funding priority.

MOTION: By Hoy, **SECONDED** by Clem, to **APPROVE THE RFP AND ACCEPT STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS ON FUNDING PRIORITIES: THE HMIS & CE GAP AND PSH WITH HEALTHCARE INTEGRATION AMENDED TO INCLUDE RAPID REHOUSING (RRH) AND TRANSITIONAL HOUSING ALSO.**

Discussion: Several questions were asked and responded to regarding details, including what housing types this funding can support.

Motion carried.

IN FAVOR: Gordon, Hoy, Clark, Lopez, Martin-Willis, Leno, Brady, Wolf, Perry, Clem, Pfeffer, Slama, Silverman-Méndez.

OPPOSED: None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

Lozier requested a second motion, whether or not the R&R committee has the latitude to fill the funding gap for renewals. The staff recommendation is not to allow the R&R committee this latitude.

MOTION: By Clark, **SECONDED** by Clem, to **NOT ALLOW THE REVIEW & RECOMMENDATIONS (R & R) COMMITTEE THE LATITUDE TO FILL THE FUNDING GAPS FOR RENEWAL APPLICATIONS.**

Discussion: Lopez stated that he thought that the R&R Committee should be allowed to choose to fill the funding gap and empower them to do that as they have in the past. Hoy felt that this is a policy level decision that the Board should make, that the committee is to review and rank the applications. Calvin said that priorities have now been set by the board, that will show up in the scoring but doesn't necessarily show up in the funding.

Motion carried.

IN FAVOR: Gordon, Hoy, Clark, Lopez, Martin-Willis, Leno, Brady, Perry, Clem, Pfeffer, Slama.

OPPOSED: Wolf. **ABSTAINED:** None.

MOTION: By Clark, **SECONDED** by Hoy, to **APPROVE THE RFP WITH MODIFICATIONS BASED ON THE BOARD'S PRIORITIES.**

Discussion:

Motion carried.

IN FAVOR: Gordon, Hoy, Clark, Lopez, Martin-Willis, Leno, Brady, Perry, Clem, Pfeffer, Slama.

OPPOSED: None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

Lozier explained the rationale for removing the language about requiring the R&R committee members to work in pairs, due to the uncertainty with the number of applications that will be received. Pairing up will remain an option. Calvin stated that interviews will be built in for all of the applicants.

MOTION: By Clem, **SECONDED** by Clark, to **APPROVE THE RFP WITH MODIFICATION TO ALLOW FOR A COLLABORATIVE PROCESS AND PAIRING.**

Discussion:

Motion carried.

IN FAVOR: Gordon, Hoy, Clark, Lopez, Martin-Willis, Brady, Perry, Clem, Pfeffer, Slama.

OPPOSED: None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

MOTION: By Clem, **SECONDED** by Hoy, to **APPROVE THE SCORING TOOLS, ALLOWING STAFF TO MODIFY, IF NEEDED, TO CONFORM TO HUD REQUIREMENTS.**

Discussion: Lozier stated that new scoring tools have been developed for this process and they're comparable to those used in the previous process. Calvin explained the concept for the new scoring matrix she has been working on, with categories similar for new or renewal projects but worded differently depending on their situation. Lopez shared his concerns about voting on something that hasn't been shared yet. He felt that he would recuse himself during a funding conversation but not for the process conversation. Lozier stated that if the scoring tools aren't completed at this meeting, there would need to be a special meeting. Slama called the question.

Motion carried.

IN FAVOR: Hoy, Clark, Martin-Willis, Brady, Perry, Clem, Pfeffer.

OPPOSED: Slama, Lopez Gordon. **ABSTAINED:** None.

Clark shared that she voted "yes" to move the process forward but was uncomfortable with the motion passing without the scoring criteria being available to view and discuss.

MOTION: By Clark, **SECONDED** by Pfeffer, to **RECONSIDER THE PREVIOUS DECISION.**

Motion carried.

IN FAVOR: Gordon, Hoy, Clark, Lopez, Martin-Willis, Brady, Perry, Clem, Pfeffer, Slama.

OPPOSED: None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

MOTION: By Clark, **SECONDED** by Perry, to **MODIFY THE PREVIOUS MOTION TO APPROVE THE SCORING TOOLS AND HAVE THE BOARD GIVE THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE THE SCORING TOOLS AT A SPECIAL MEETING.**

Motion carried.

IN FAVOR: Gordon, Hoy, Clark, Lopez, Martin-Willis, Brady, Perry, Clem, Pfeffer, Slama.

OPPOSED: None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

Calvin stated that the RFP gets released tomorrow and there are RFP workshops on Tuesday and Wednesday and asked if the group wants to move forward with the timeline as is. Chair Gordon said that the Executive Committee would meet soon and to keep the timeline as is.

Zoom chat conversation from August 8 meeting.

Elaine Lozier

00:50

EL

Hello Mayor Hoy! We will be on camera in a moment

We will have sound in a moment

Christy Perry

22:40

CP

Question here

Daniel Clem

30:03

DC

Question from Dan

Jeremy Gordon (he/him)

30:59

JG

you're next, dan

Jan Calvin

39:23

JC

The local priority money is roughly 12% of the ARD. 1.5M of CoC plus 1.7M of YHDP = 3.2M. 12% of that is roughly $348,000

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Josie Silverman-Mendez (she/her), Willamette Health Council

01:06:01

JS

All, my apologies, but I have a hard stop at 5 and need to sign off.

Rhonda Wolf-United Way of the Mid-Willamette Valley

01:06:39

RW

Same here.

1 Reply

Jeremy Gordon (he/him)

01:08:49

JG

take care all. Could we do a quorum check? we are minus 3 board members

Daniel Clem

01:09:10

DC

I must leave by 5:10, will we still have a quorum?

Linda Hansen

01:09:52

LH

We still have quorum

Elaine Lozier

01:24:43

EL

I am happy to share it on the screen

Elaine Lozier

01:27:39

EL

Just sent the new tool to your emails

Jeremy Gordon (he/him)

01:27:48

JG

do we have a quorum?

Elaine Lozier

01:28:13

EL

yes

Elaine Lozier

01:29:16

EL

The one I just sent will be modified to reflect the priorities board voted on

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, Chair Gordon adjourned the meeting at 5:25 p.m.

Jeremy Gordon
Jeremy Gordon (Sep 24, 2024 13:22 PDT)

Jeremy Gordon, MWVHA Chair & ORS 190 Entity President

9/24/24
Date

Attested:

Elaine Lozier
Elaine Lozier (Sep 24, 2024 11:27 PDT)

Elaine Lozier, MWVHA Executive Director

9/24/2024
Date

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