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HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MINUTES

November 18, 2016

City Hall Conference Room A, 716 SW Evergreen Avenue, Redmond, Oregon

Members Present: Vice-Chair Steve Curley, Diana Barker, Charlene Hunter, Suzanne Michaels, Joni Powell, Lori Scharton, Alexandra Sweet, Geoff Wall (*absent:* Whitney Swander)

Youth Ex Officio: Vacant

City Staff: Katie McDonald, *Assistant Planner*; Kate Porsche, *Community Development Director*; Keith Witcosky, *City Manager*; Cameron Prow, *TYPE-Write II*

Visitors: Anne Graham, *City Councilor*

Media: None

(The 3 digits after a motion title show the number of members voting in favor/opposed/abstaining.)

CALL TO ORDER – INTRODUCTIONS

Vice-Chair Curley called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m. with a quorum of members (8 of 9) present.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Councilor Graham stated the mayor and Council previously requested this committee to recommend an appropriate role for the City to play in the homeless situation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. September 16, 2016

Motion 1 (8/0/0): Ms. Scharton moved to approve the September 16, 2016, minutes as presented. Ms. Michaels seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. CDBG 2016-2017 Quarter 1 Update

Vice-Chair Curley postponed discussion of this issue until Grant Program Coordinator Chelsea Dickens could be present.

2. City Council Homelessness Work Session II Preparation

- **Service Provider Update:** Ms. McDonald said Work Session I introduced the service providers and explained what they are doing. The purpose of Work Session II will be to identify the issue, a strategy and framework for how it can be addressed, and an appropriate role for the City.

Ms. Desmond reviewed a paper entitled “High Desert Home: Central Oregon Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness, *An Update to the Central Oregon 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness, 2011*” from October 2015. She discussed the background, goals, performance measures, Central Oregon service providers, and need for regional coordination.

Ms. McDonald summarized City efforts to date through the Community Development Block Grant program and this committee. The City is considering code changes to density standards.

Committee concerns included rental barriers (pets, kids, addictions, increased security deposits, no cause termination of tenancy), regional effort to populate the HMIS (Homeless Management Information System), which service providers use HMIS, color-coding the point-in-time count (red – no home, yellow – at risk, green – stable), uniform for people working to help those without shelter, better communication between discharge counselors and service providers, impact of HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act), and having more time to review the “High Desert Home” paper. Committee discussion about the City’s role covered what the City is already doing, increasing lead time to apply for grants, funding, how the police department codes crimes, setting priorities on regional goals, implications of the City supporting regional goals, and the City acting as a clearinghouse for services from agencies and other providers.

Motion 2 (8/0/0): Ms. Michaels moved that the Redmond Housing and Community Development Committee endorse the thought and work behind the October 2015 update to the Central Oregon 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness and let City Council know that this committee would like to engage in the process to see how to solve it. Ms. Scharon seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Ms. Desmond thanked committee members for their dedication to the homeless issue.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Ms. Barker announced that Windermere’s annual “Share the Warmth” event (coat and blanket drive) would be held at Juniper Golf Course on November 18, 2016, 5-7 p.m.

STAFF COMMENTS

Next meeting: Friday, December 16, 2016, 3 p.m.

ADJOURN

With no further business, Vice-Chair Curley adjourned the meeting at 4:34 p.m.

APPROVED by the Redmond Housing and Community Development Committee and SIGNED by me this 20 day of January, 2017.

ATTEST:

/s/ Whitney Swander
Whitney Swander
Chair

/s/ Deborah McMahon
Deborah McMahon
Planning Manager