

Housing Opportunities Action Council

Governing Board

Minutes 09-27-17

Board Members in Attendance: Biff Traber (co-chair), Anne Schuster (co-chair), Dan Duncan, Nicole Hindes, Julie Manning, Jim Moorefield, Chris Quaka, Tabitha Ciulla (alt-Rockwell), Brad Smith, Chris Hawkins, Bettina Schempf, Mary Newman, Martha Lyon, Jennifer Morris (alt-Wilson), Andrea Myhre, Aleita Hass-Holcombe

| Time | Type | Presenter | Topic / Notes |
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| 1:30pm | Report | Co-Chairs and Program Manager | Introductions Approve August Minutes Co-Chair Comments Program Manager report |
| <p>Approval of August Minutes: Motion: Martha Lyon, Second: Aleita Hass-Holcombe. Approved</p> <p>Co-Chair Comments: Biff Traber: Recognition of the continuing progress on the Men’s Shelter, and the great article and video from the Gazette-Times, covering the first volunteer event. Appreciate the work of Benton Habitat for Humanity, the team of OSU students, staff and faculty who volunteered, and the many others working on the renovation.</p> <p>Program Manager Report: Written comments were distributed, and are available online. Comments included an update on funding, renovation, staffing and steering committee for the cold weather shelter. Additionally, workgroup formation continues, and a draft of the Ten Year Plan update will be shared shortly with the Leadership Committee, and Governing Board for review.</p> | | | |
| 1:40pm | SMART Team update | Andrea Myhre, chair of SMART team | |
| No report | | | |
| 1:45pm | Funding Coordination Team update | Jim Moorefield, chair of Funding Coordination team | |
| No report | | | |
| 1:50pm | Roundtable Updates | | |

- Annette Mills: Corvallis Sustainability Coalition. The Coalition represents ~350 organizations and individuals. 12 action teams, one of which is focused on Housing. Goal for the Coalition is an Ecologically, Socially, Economically sustainable community.
 - Primary purpose: encourage more cooperation and communication among groups in the area of sustainability.
 - Access to affordable housing and reduction of homelessness is goal of housing action team
 - Want to engage more across the community in conversations around this topic
 - Example: sponsoring of LWV/ Judy Ball presentation on homeless numbers
 - Sunday, Oct 8, 1-5pm: Creative Options Housing Tour: Self-guided tour of affordable housing types (Flyer available on HOAC website)
 - Start at Seavey Meadows community room
 - Tour followed by forums at Public Library
 - Oct 30, 7-8:30: presentations by WNHS and Benton Habitat for Humanity
 - Nov 13, 7-8:30: Creating housing options -- what does City code allow to support creative options. Includes Jason Yaich and Kent Weiss from City of Corvallis.
- Workgroups:
 - Coordinated Care: Martha Lyon
 - Early discussion on charge and scope
 - There are other efforts across state/region, so early effort will be coordinating info on existing efforts
 - May be some effort to winnow down efforts and align
 - Invitation for full meeting soon. Thinking this may shrink to smaller group
 - Comments:
 - Julie: Timing good for workgroup to convene. Growing appreciation for care coordination and what it can provide. In Healthcare, on outpatient side, focused on issues like congestive heart failure, which is commonly a cause for readmission. Focus is helping those patients get connected to services to ensure they don't need readmission.
 - RHIC is another effort that needs to be integrated into this work, as they can provide HIPAA compliant data backend.
 - CCO interest in care coordination is centered on "keeping people healthy"
 - Support is building conceptually -- next challenge may be finding funding to drive the changes required
 - A potential outcome for HOAC's workgroup may be the framework for a pilot that could then be funded through CCO transformation \$
 - Martha: One concern is that HOAC's workgroup is focused on social service providers, CCO workgroup is focused on healthcare service providers -- how will things align?
 - One example of conflict is client confidentiality / release forms. Healthcare practices and social services practices don't necessarily follow same guidelines on privacy, etc.
 - Concern that there's two committees working the same issue.
 - Anne: There's some help for some of these intersections between groups from Regional Solutions
 - Martha: Solution has to serve many levels - small agencies and something as large as the CCO

- Jim: It may be wise to focus on the high level goals that can be agreed upon - and then move to the more technical discussion of solutions
- Housing Supply & Messaging: Jim Moorefield
 - First meeting scheduled for Oct 6
 - WNHS staff looking at models for messaging
 - Building expanded list of advocacy opportunities
 - Train the trainer opportunities getting scheduled. Trainer will be from Oregon Housing Alliance
 - Identification of legislative issues that need attention in the coming session
- Mental/Behavioral Health: Anne Schuster
 - Bettina Schempf will co-chair
 - Meeting with team pending
- Housing & Community Development Advisory Board: Biff Traber
 - HCDAB is one meeting away from having recommendations for Council
 - 4 areas to be addressed
 - Accessory Dwelling Units
 - System Development Charges
 - Simplify the annexation process (not voter approved annexation) -- but staff and others recognize there is a great deal of work related to getting annexation on Council agenda - and some of this could be streamlined to relieve burden on developers seeking annexation
 - Application of Construction Excise Tax revenues
- Oregon Housing & Community Services: Biff Traber: OHCS is working on a roadshow with regional data/presentation to have discussion about statewide housing plan
 - Martha: CSC is coordinating those events. October 31, 10-12 at CSC office in Albany for Linn/Benton
 - Jim M: State has a requirement to do a statewide housing plan. It filters down into decisions that are made about funding and policy. Scoring system within housing plan creates issues: Example, DV shelter beds serve as proxy for DV affordable housing available -- so CARDV's success in providing shelter actually results in low score for DV housing need.
- 509J Welcome Center: Chris Hawkins
 - School District is opening a welcome center to offer families support and access services of school district and the community.
 - Community computer lab
 - Food pantry
 - Hygiene items
 - Cooking classes
 - Parenting classes through Oregon Family Support Network (OFSN)
 - Space to hang out for homeless kids in school
 - Location: The Western Center near the district offices
 - Transportation an issue, so it may change locations in the future.
 - Casa Latinos Unidos will be partnering with the welcome center as well
 - Hours: During the day and after school

- Benton Community Foundation: Chris Quaka (flyer available on HOAC website)
 - Creation of Homeless to Housing Fund
 - Shared information on fund, and funding options
 - Contact BCF for more information

- WHNS: Jim Moorefield
 - WNHS recently closed on 7.7 acre New Holland site
 - Housing and mixed use neighborhood center
 - 4.5 acres residential -- wetland issue will impact total units (<50)
 - Potential for “2nd story” housing above retail
 - Talking with BCHD about doing a health impact study
 - Lengthy development process - likely 2019 before construction begins
 - Considering response to state RFI for workforce housing (addressing the "missing middle" -- 60%-120% of median family income)
 - May result in RFP, with pilot communities to stimulate creation of workforce housing

- Question: Martha Lyon
 - Clean up of Central Park was reported recently in the paper. How can we work more closely to connect people with services?
 - This is not focused on camping, but folks hanging out in the park. Drop-in Center is doing outreach.

- Question: Jennifer McDermond
 - Several clients who have been served postings about camping (tent or car) have been advised that there's a new ordinance requiring they move out of town for 30 days - Is that true? How to address?
 - This is not a new ordinance to that effect
 - Lt Dan Duncan will talk with Jennifer to gather specifics on officers and incidents

- Anne:
 - Ad hoc group forming around employment for homeless, others
 - Going before Workforce Investment Board Oct 27 to see if there are opportunities to better understand what skills are needed, and what opportunities exist.

Adjourn: 3pm