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Agenda

Homeless Housing Taskforce

Monday, February 26, 2024

2:30 PM

Training Room, 2nd Floor, City Hall

HYBRID MEETING DETAILS

24-00179 Please click the link below to join the webinar: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84015494317>
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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:32 pm.

ROLL CALL

In attendance: Ruth Kendall, Chair; Dian Cooper, CoChair; Steven Boyer; Gena James; Connie Lantz (joined online at 2:56); Shannon McLain; Rob Painter-Johnson; Lauren Princehouse; Kayce Settlemier, non-voting member
Absent: Tim Watson, LPD
Staff present:; Kris Swanson, City Manager; Nancy Vandehey, Admin

MINUTES

24-00181 Minutes from January 22, 2024.
Meeting on January 15, 2024 rescheduled due to holiday.
The minutes were approved as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

Ruth Kendall provided an update from Council.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

24-00182 5 YEAR PLAN, ONGOING

The Cowlitz County Plan was shared and reviewed with the draft addendum. There was a discussion on permanent housing. There are 3 local agencies that do coordinated entry. About 1000 people connect with coordinated entry and programs that have openings are around a 100 each year. Added education piece (c) to inform the community about homelessness. A decision was made to continue not to label shelters (ie Hope Village), as it could limit our options under shelters in Objective 4. A draft will come back next month with the County objectives showing the City's priorities.

Gena reported that the State will be coming out with their new plan in April with guidance to local governments in June or July.

24-00183 POVERTY SIMULATION / BRIDGES OUT OF POVERTY

Kayce reported that she met with Liz. Lower Columbia CAP is willing to participate in that simulation. Costs are food and space, so that will need to be worked out. Salvation Army, Meals on Wheels or Longview School District lunches might be an idea to give a perspective on homelessness. Goal is between 50 to 70 individuals.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

TASK FORCE COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned 3:51 pm.