

**City of Bend Council and Deschutes
County Board of Commissioners Joint Meeting
April 8, 2022**

The City of Bend City Council and the Deschutes County Board of Commissioners joint meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, April 8, 2022, in the Deschutes County Barnes and Sawyer Room at 1300 NW Wall Street, and online. Present were City Councilors Barb Campbell, Gena Goodman-Campbell, Melanie Kebler, Anthony Broadman, Megan Perkins, Rita Schenkelberg, Mayor Sally Russell, and Deschutes County Commissioners Phil Chang, Anthony DeBone, and Chair Patti Adair.

1. Call to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance and Land Acknowledgement

Chair Adair led the Pledge of Allegiance and Mayor Russell read the Land Acknowledgement.

3. House Bill 4123 – City County Coordinated Response Pilot

Eric King, City Manager, and Nick Lelack, Deschutes County Administrator, presented the following slides on the House Bill (HB) 4123:

- HB 4123 Summary and Next Steps
- Collaborative Office – Next Steps

Councilors and Commissioners provided the following feedback:

- Compassionate Results Philosophy example – City of Redmond
- Regulations on camping in the right-of-way
- Look at a variety of places that include safe places to camp that are sanctioned
- Involve the Forest Service on the advisory board and key partners
- Need water closer to the camp sites
- Include people into the economy and offer employment opportunities

4. Draft Intergovernmental Agreement

Erik Kropp, Deschutes County Deputy Administrator presented an overview of the Draft Intergovernmental Agreement including the different roles.

Councilors and Commissioners provided the following feedback:

- Look at the work that has been done in the Strategic Plan before other cities join – set a welcoming table for the new cities feel that their input is important
- Include the Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
- Have coordination or subgroups to help the collaborative office
- There is a difference between what this office does and what the service providers do – this is setting the service providers up for success
- Have a strategic plan with good community input

- Should the money be spent on services or the base operation of the office? – main deliverable of the office

The County and City staff will start circulating drafts of the IGA and then each individual body will approve with the goal of completion by June 30, 2022.

5. Update on Key Projects

Carolyn Eagan, presented the following updates:

- Rainbow Motel
 - First use the motel as temporary housing for individuals at the Division Street shelter – restoration to go from early summer to the early fall
 - The City has received requests from two divisions at the County for use of the motel
 - The City will be doing layout changes at the 2nd Street shelter and the motel is an option for those operations – discussions have not happened with Shepherd’s House
- 2nd Street Shelter – Navigation Center
 - Phase one changes on the layout of the shelter – plan to open the doors in mid-June
- Division Street Shelter
 - There are 28 rooms and 40 guests
 - One family has exited into housing, one family is waiting to move into housing and six households have been referred to Thrive for housing services
 - Changing the model to continue to contribute funds to rapid rehousing
- Outdoor Shelters
 - Central Oregon Builders has ventured into the real estate market and will be going after their own property
 - The City may be contracting with Central Oregon Villages to lease the land and run the shelter

Kropp presented the following updates on Shelter Capacity:

- Bethlehem Inn
 - Bend Location
 - Capacity of 70 – 50 for adults and 20 in the family units
 - Redmond Location
 - Expected to increase by 15 the second week of April
- Central Oregon Veteran’s Village
 - There are 10 units online and one vacant
 - Two veterans have found housing
 - There will be five units certified and will be online soon

Janice Garceau, Deschutes County Behavioral Health Director, presented an update on American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds on Houseless Outreach:

- The Behavioral Health Department was able to expand with three additional positions with ARPA funding – Two Case Managers and a Peer Support Specialist
- Waiting to hear on three additional positions – applied for Measure 110 grant funds to support the case manager and two recovery mentors

City Councilors are in favor of writing a letter of support for the County's application for Measure 110 grant funds.

Representative Jason Kropf thanked the County and City for tackling this issue and thanked the people who are already doing the work.

Adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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