

City of Bend
Neighborhood Leadership Alliance Meeting
February 8, 2022

The meeting of the Neighborhood Leadership Alliance (NLA) was called to order at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 8, 2022, online and by phone.

- 1. Roll Call:** Summer Sears (Chair), Dave Johnson (Vice Chair), Karen Bergsvik, Jim Christo, Chris Friess, Cassie Giddings, Shawn McFadden, Lisa Mushel, Chris Pearson, Steve Pine, Elizabeth Rhodes, Kathy Roche, Morgan Schmidt

Absent: Chris Friess, Cassie Giddings, Lisa Mushel

2. Approve Minutes

Member Christo requested the following changes to the January 11, 2022 meeting minutes:

- Change the wording on item 7 to “Members discussed and agreed to the following regarding the letter from Jim Christo”
- Fix the Joint meeting language on Dave Johnson’s report to “Southeast Bend” instead of “Old Farm”

Member Christo moved to approve the January 11, 2022 meeting minutes with the changes discussed. Member Rhodes seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously (10-0).

3. Houselessness in Central Oregon

Megan Perkins, City Councilor, and Eric King, City Manager, presented the following slides Houselessness in Central Oregon:

- Houselessness in Central Oregon in 2021
- Types and Causes of Houselessness
- The City’s Role in Addressing Houselessness
 - 2021-2023 Council Goals
 - Increasing Shelter Bed Supply
 - What the City Cannot Do
 - What the City Can Do
 - City Response to Established Campsites in City Right-of-Way
 - Service Request
 - Policies and Contracts and Good Neighbor Guidelines
- Strategies to Address Homelessness
 - Outdoor Shelters
 - Hotel Renovations and Project Turnkey
 - Safe Parking Program
 - Emergency Shelter and Navigation Center
 - Shelter Code Amendments

- Collaborative Office with Deschutes County
- Houseless in Deschutes
- Overall Approach
- Community Input
 - What Does Council Want from the Community
 - Learn More
- Questions

4. Public Comments

Kathy Marin asked what the criteria and metrics are to ensure people do not stay at the Project Turnkey site, what is the City doing to get people educated and employed and where the public can review the plan if there is one. Marin asked how much total funding has been received from the State, Federal and other local agencies.

Fmarcos426 shared concerns about a proposed camp near the southwest Bend Les Schwab being too close to his house.

James Derofi discussed concerns on the houselessness and asked why the State is not initiating an emergency recovery procedure to help Central Oregon.

5. Shelter Code Amendments

- **Planning Commission Work Session**
- **Advisory Letter**

A majority of members agreed with Member Schmidt's suggestion to add language to the public involvement recommendation about creating opportunities to answer questions and share information with the public.

Member Christo moved to submit the NLA Advisory letter to the Planning Commission as is and may revise it with account for the City Council in the future. Member McFadden seconded the motion, the motion passed (5-4). (Members Schmidt, Roche, Pine and Pearson opposed)

Members are supportive of adding that the NLA intends to provide an additional letter to Council, with more specific recommendations, after the hearing from the Planning Commission.

6. Liaison Updates

- **Tax Exemptions Advisory Board**

Member Bergsvik left the meeting around 5:50 p.m.

Member Schmidt presented a report on the Tax Exemption Advisory Board.

- **Neighborhood Association Roundtable Update**

Member Roche presented a report on the Neighborhood Association Roundtable.

Makayla Oliver, Community Relations Manager, presented a staff report on the survey and the Oregon State University Cascades Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Lab.

7. NLA Representative Reports

NLA representatives presented the following Neighborhood Association issues to bring to the full NLA for discussion:

- Member McFadden – Summit West Neighborhood Association
 - Homeless shelter code changes and Homeowners Association bylaws
- Member Christo – Southeast Bend Neighborhood Association
 - Neighborhood Associations boundaries and bylaws
- Member Rhodes – Southwest Bend Neighborhood Association
 - Number of Short-Term Rentals and Picasa timeshares
 - RV's residing in people's neighborhoods
 - Managed Camps near schools

8. Important Upcoming Dates (dates may change):

- **Feb. 14, 5:30 p.m. Planning Commission Public Hearing – Shelter Code Amendments Code Amendments**
- **March 2, 5:00 p.m. Planning Commission Public Hearing – Shelter Code Amendments & Short-Term Rental Data Update**

Adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Deputy City Recorder