



Housing, Health and Human Services Committee Minutes Regular Meeting

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Subject	Meeting Agenda	Date	June 1, 2022
Recorder	Kim Hendrickson	Start Time	4:00 PM
Committee Chair	Councilmember Livdahl	End Time	4:56 PM
Committee Members	Councilmembers Britt Livdahl, Andrew Phillips, Ed Stern		
Staff Attending	Mayor Erickson, Kim Hendrickson, Director, Housing, Health and Human Services		
Public Attending	Roy Behling, Knights of Columbus, Carollynn Zimmers, Pam Keely		

Poulsbo is committed to being a welcoming, diverse, and equitable community where all people can access tools and opportunities to improve their quality of life, allowing them to reach their full potential. During its meetings, the Poulsbo City Council will use this lens to inclusively view its discussions and actions.

No.	Topic	Action/Recommendation/Discussion
1.	Administrative	
A	Questions and Concerns of Committee	Councilmember Stern met with new KCR Director Tony Ives and KCR Board Member Shannon Turner.
B	Agenda Review	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Considered-no changes
C	Committee Minutes: 5/4/22	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Considered and approved
D	Mayor, Department Head Reports	<p>Mayor: Questions about the Nordic Cottages after Project described in City newsletter; several inquiries about who can be considered as residents. (Councilmember Stern also shared interest he's hearing in new downtown apartments).</p> <p>Kim: keeping an email list of people interested in the Nordic Cottage Project-encourage people to join. There is a June 23 neighborhood meeting to discuss the Project.</p> <p>Kim reported out on last month's visit to Arizona to learn about their crisis system as part of a state delegation. Highlighted the partnership in AZ between first responders, co-responders, and crisis responders—importance of integration.</p> <p>Luke Carpenter of Carpenter NW continues to review City emergency plans and emergency readiness. Report expected late summer.</p>
2.	Agenda Items	



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A	<p>KC HELP Knights Community Hospital Equipment Lending Program: Request for Assistance</p>	<p>Presentation from Roy Behling, Knights of Columbus. Need for a new permanent storage facility for medical equipment.</p> <p>Reminder that Poulsbo residents (and residents throughout the County) have access to free medical equipment to borrow; no income test.</p>
B	<p>Department of Commerce CHIP Grant: Council Resolution to Waive Utility Connection Fees for Nordic Cottage Project</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Creation of Resolution Approved; Committee Recommends Passage</p> <p>The Department of Commerce Connecting Housing to Infrastructure Program (CHIP) is an effort to promote the development of affordable housing through assistance with utility related costs. Funds come from American Rescue Plan Act as well as the State Building Construction Account.</p> <p>We applied for and received a CHIP award for 240k for the Nordic Cottage Project. A condition for receiving the funds is that the City passes a resolution waiving utility connection fees for the Project. Further, Commerce would like to see the City waive utility hook up fees for other affordable housing programs.</p> <p>Utility hook up fees, per cottage, around \$75k. These funds will then reimbursed as part of \$240k grant. (No effect on utility fund or ratepayers.)</p> <p>Questions asked about implications to ratepayers and utility fund if broader ordinance passed.</p> <p>Mayor and Committee members suggested working with Ogden & Murphy to make sure RCW followed when crafting resolution.</p> <p>Committee approved creation of Resolution and will recommend its passage to Council.</p>



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C	“Senior Corps” Initiative	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Considered Kim working with volunteers to organize a phone check in service for isolated seniors. Interest in City hosting the initiative. Estimated expense \$5k. Committee members in support but need more information. Insurance, certification, training issues.
D	Fire CARES Updates: Monthly Reporting, Recent Grants, Staffing, July Training	Reminder that city received a 200k grant for Fire CARES thanks to the support of Rep. Simons; grant also received for \$90k from BHASO (contractor Poulsbo Fire). Some of the new funds will be used, in July, for fire based crisis intervention training. No reporting provided.
E	Public Comment	Carollynn Zimmers curious about hospital/hospice provision of medical equipment; some concern about cleaning liquids leeching into water.

Future Agenda Items

Item(s)	Responsibility	Meeting Date
City Submissions: County Treatment Tax Grant Application	Kim	July 6
Nordic Cottage Project Update	Kim	July 6
6 month Report: Affordable Housing Tax Expenditures (Actual, Expected)	Kim	July 6

The Housing, Health and Human Services Committee meets the 1st Wednesday of each month at 4:00pm. The Committee shall consider matters related to the health and well being of Poulsbo residents, with an emphasis on vulnerable populations. The Committee discusses City initiatives, programs and partnerships that address four community needs: (1) affordable and transitional housing, (2) low barrier behavioral health services, (3) public health and equitable access to health services and (4) services for individuals with low and limited income across age groups, with a focus on our youth and seniors.

Public comment is welcomed at the discretion of the chair not to exceed five minutes. The committee may add and discuss other items not listed on the agenda. To request an alternative format of the printed agenda, contact the City Clerk’s office at 360.394.9880.

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