

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES TOWN HALL November 18, 2020 — 5:00 p.m.

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1. Call to Order/Roll Call at 5:01 p.m.

Members Present:	Members Absent:
Chair Ayers-Flood Member Ponomareff Member Clark Member Harrison Member Land	Member Dolan Member Berlant
Also Present:	
Jon Legarza, Executive Director	

2. Speakers Heard on Non-Agenda Items

None.

3. Consent Agenda

3.1 Approval of October 21st and November 4th, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Motion: Member Ponomareff moves to approve the consent agenda. Clark Seconded.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes; motion carries.

4. Regular Agenda

4.1 Gateway Site, Temporary Shelter, Pathways and Progress Presentation

Staff Report - Executive Director

Legarza provided an update to the Board on the Site and affordable housing parcels. Legarza then presented the soils report to the Board members. Legarza also discussed other entities the Agency has been working with to cement partnerships and obtain funding for the project. Legarza mentioned the small projects round of funding from the state for affordable housing projects. Legarza also updated the Board on the City requesting the temporary use permit application for the Gateway Site.

Discussion:

- Member Land inquired about the Town Hall meeting and the Gateway Site not being mentioned in the Town Hall meeting. Land also inquired about how much transitional housing is needed.
 - Legarza responded that there is a critical need for housing across the state, and that many entities
 - Chair Ayers-Flood followed up that the housing task force meetings that there
 could be portions of population that are not part of the direct housing meeting
 that the Gateway Site could help service.

- Member Land inquired about interest from a local business that was interested in a large buildout on the Gateway Site.
 - Legarza responded that in this early stage, it is important to start to understand the timeline and goals of other entities interested in the site.
 - Chair Ayers-Flood followed up about how the proposal would fit into the space available. Chair Ayers-Flood asked where the conversation was at.
 - Legarza stated that there is an opportunity, but it will require further due-diligence on how it would fit with the site.
 - Member Land inquired about a secondary place for unhoused residents.
 - Legarza responded that future conversations will help determine if there is a common-thread in the project
- Member Clark inquired about the more specifics regarding conversations with the Phoenix Talent School District
 - Legarza stated that the Superintendent feels that there is need in the District
 - Chair Ayers-Flood discussed working with other stakeholders to develop a list of those effected.
- Member Harrison requested Legarza discuss the project with Chief Hanley.
 - Legarza stated that he will.
- Member Ponomareff stated that the public meeting process is designed for public input.
- Member Land stated that it is important to conduct under the guidelines of the Agency and ORS.
 - o Ayers-Flood followed-up on refining the scope of the Urban Renewal Agency.
- Member Harrison inquired about an opinion from the Agency's Attorney
 - Legarza shared that the Agency received an opinion and the City did not receive and comments back from the City.

Motion: Member Clark moves to approve staff to continue completing due-diligence regarding the transitional shelter project located on the Gateway Site, and I approve staff to complete and submit a TEA (Temporary Use Permit Application) to the City of Talent. Ponomareff seconded **Discussion:**

Member Harrison inquired

Vote: 3-1; motion carries. (Harrison voted no)

5. Items from Executive Director

Legarza updated the Board on current work with the Agency's attorney, identifying new funding partners, a press release on grant funding, and the ongoing development of a newsletter.

6. Items from Chair or Agency Members

Chair Ayers-Flood discussed a meeting at the Gateway Site with Representative Pam Marsh. Chair Ayers-Flood stated that the Marsh would try to find resources from the state.

7. Adjournment at 5:46 PM

Respectfully submitted by:

Jon Legarza, Executive Director

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