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CLARK COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH SALES TAX FUNDING ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 25, 2024

The Clark County Mental Health Sales Tax Funding Advisory Board convened on April 25th, 2024 via Microsoft Teams.

<u>3:00pm</u>

Off Cycle Mental Health Sales Tax Requests

Jordan Boege presented a draft memo outlining a process for off cycle requests for Mental Health Sales Tax funding. After deliberation, the group decided that for requests that do not involve new or additional funding and are used for purposes consistent with the current contract, that entities receiving funds from the Mental Health Sales Tax would not need to make a change request of the group or back to council. Requests that do involve changing funding amounts or project parameters would need to come before the advisory board and council for consideration and approval.

The group then discussed the possibility of utilizing a "block grant" style process where the advisory board would recommend that the County Council allocate some amount of money to the Department of Community Services to provide opportunities for rolling RFP applications throughout the year. The group requested that Community Services draft a list of needs and priorities that could be considered via this more flexible RFP process, and then bring that forward to the County Council for refinement, policy direction, and final approval of such a process.

Jail Remodel Project & Use of MHST

The advisory board reviewed whether or not capital funding for the jail remodel project would be an allowable use of MHST funds. Based on RCW <u>82.14.460</u> and conversations with the PA's office, capital funding for jail remodel purposes would be allowable if the space being updated would be used for mental health treatment or chemical dependency services.

Update on 2023 MHST Report

Jordan Boege provided an update on the status of the report that is being put together covering the uses of the MHST in 2023 for both internal and external programs.

Calendar Review – 2024 Meetings & Deadlines

The group reviewed the current calendar and meeting dates for this year's funding allocation process.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Clark County Mental Health Sales Tax Advisory Board will be held on June 6, 2024, at 1pm.