

# Urban County Policy Board Meeting Minutes

1300 Franklin Street, Room 679  
Vancouver, Washington  
January 13, 2020

## **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Councilor Julie Olson  
Sam Crummett  
Jim Hodges  
Jeff Swanson  
Councilor Ron Onslow  
David Scott

Clark County  
City of Battle Ground  
City of Camas  
City of La Center  
City of Ridgefield  
City of Washougal

## **GUESTS**

None

## **STAFF**

Michael Torres, Rebecca Royce, Samantha Whitley, Janet Snook

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Olson.

### **I. Introductions**

### **II. October 14, 2019, meeting minutes**

Minutes were approved following motion by Councilor Onslow that was seconded by Jim Hodges.

### **III. Vice Chair Election**

A nomination to elect Councilor Onslow as vice chair was made by David Scott and seconded by Jeff Swanson. Motion carried.

### **IV. 2020 Preliminary Funding Availability**

In December, Congress approved CDBG and HOME budgets with approximately \$100 million increase each at the national level. A three percent CDBG increase and a seven percent HOME increase is anticipated locally. Clark County will have a better idea about 2020 funding in March.

### **V. Overview of Submitted Proposals**

Six applications were received for Public Facilities and Neighborhood Improvements, including three infrastructure and three social service. Three applications were received for Asset and Economic Development. Six affordable housing and homelessness applications were received, which includes three for tenant-based rental assistance. Mercy Corps NW and Mercy Housing NW are new applicants this year. Board members will be able to view and score applications in Neighborly around the end of the month.

### **VI. Third Quarter 2019 Reports**

Highlights of the Quarterly Reports Summary were discussed. Most projects are on schedule. Several have closed out since the third quarter.

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## **VII. Bus Tour**

Consensus was reached to tour infrastructure projects on Tuesday, February 11, 2020. Participants will meet at the Battle Ground Community Center at 8:00 a.m.

## **VIII. 2020 Draft Work Plan**

The Board will meet for application presentations in February, and for awarding funds in March. The Board will also meet in June to review the Point in Time Count and the HUD Consolidated Plan and Action Plan. In October, the Consolidated Annual Performance evaluation Report (CAPER) will be discussed. Members requested presentations showing results of funded projects and information on the Homeless Crisis Response system.

## **IX. EHFH Update**

Upon learning of an uninhabitable home, in violation of the recorded Clark County Covenant, a letter was sent to Evergreen Habitat for Humanity for monitoring of all County-funded Habitat homes.

## **X. Other**

The next meeting is 8:30-noon, February 10, 2020, to include application presentations.

## **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned.