Missoula City Council Housing, Redevelopment, and Community Programs Committee Minutes

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June 14, 2023 2:45 PM

Council Chambers (in person) or TEAMS (virtually)
Attend in person: City Council Chambers, 140 W Pine, Missoula MT

Members present: Stacie Anderson, Mirtha Becerra, Sierra Farmer, Gwen Jones, Kristen

Jordan, Mike Nugent, Jennifer Savage, Amber Sherrill, Sandra Vasecka,

Heidi West

Members absent: Daniel Carlino, John P. Contos

1. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

Committee Chair, Heidi West called the meeting to order at 2:46 p.m.

1.1 Roll Call

Rhea Sanders called the roll.

1.2 Approval of the Minutes

1.2.1 Minutes from the June 7, 2023 Meeting

The minutes were approved as submitted.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

3. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

3.1 Affordable Housing Trust Fund Implementation Update

Emily Harris-Shears the Senior Housing Policy Specialist and Colleen Kane the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Grants Administrator in the Department of Community Planning, Development and Innovation provided an update on the Affordable Housing Trust Fund (AHTF) including the following:

- The purpose, goals, and scope of the AHTF.
- The financial implications and funds received to invest in advancing the City's housing goals.
- The necessity of a local funding source to meet housing goals.
- Project investments, outcomes, and successes
- Collaboration with and support of community partners

• Current and active grants as well as data on the number community members and households that these funds have helped.

Several community partners including Habitat for Humanity, Neighborworks Missoula, the North Missoula Community Development Corporation and Homeword highlighted their innovative housing solutions and the projects that were supported by the AHTF. They highlighted the positive impact of the projects on the community and households to secure housing. A community member provided their lived experiences and the positive impact of securing affordable housing has had on their life.

Council members, Ms. Harris-Shears, and the community partners discussed the Habitat for Humanity selection process for those that need homes, the beneficial collaboration between the City and community partners, finding and implementing creative housing solutions and how to best support these efforts.

There was no public comment.

Information only item.

4. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 p.m.