



Meeting Minutes

Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC)

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Location: City Council Chambers, Bend City Hall, 710 NW Wall Street, Bend, Oregon, and online

Date: March 12, 2025

Time: 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Dalrymple (Vice Chair) called to order the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee meeting on Wednesday, March 12, 2025, at 3:00 p.m. Participants could attend online and in the City Council Chambers, 710 NW Wall Street, Bend, Oregon, or watch live from YouTube (<https://youtube.com/live/y2Rw49GOlk?feature=share>)

Roll Call: Alison Hohengarten, Helen Silfven, Heather Simmons, Ian Karasz, Isabel Milkovich, Mandy Dalrymple (Vice Chair), Richard Reese, Tony Levison.

1. Public Comment (3 minutes each)

Scott Nordquist with Bend-Redmond Habitat for Humanity extended two invitations to AHAC for upcoming events with Bend-Redmond Habitat for Humanity.

Jonathan Taylor, Urban Renewal Manager for the City of Bend, provided policy recommendations for the site-specific program.

2. Urban Renewal Site-Specific Presentation (Round 1)

Jonathan Taylor, Urban Renewal Manager, presented the policy justification focused on housing affordability.

Recommendations for the proposed site-specific developments to the Bend Urban Renewal Agency to establish tax increment finance areas that offer assistance for more affordable housing. The projects would establish three new TIF districts and one project in the core area.

Motion 1 - Heather Simmons made a motion to approve the proposed site-specific developments, Richard Reese seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion.

Motion 2 - Ian Karasz made a motion to approve the tax increment finance areas, Mandy Dalrymple and Heather Silfven seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion.

3. Houseless Services Grant Program (HSGP) Update

Amy Fraley, Senior Program Manager, and Brook Okeefe, Shelter Coordinator, presented an overview and update of HSGP funding allocations including the Temporary Safe Stay Area.

4. Discuss AHAC's Process for Funding Allocation Recommendations

Mellissa Kamanya, Affordable Housing Coordinator, presented AHAC member survey responses

to refine funding applications and AHAC application reviews, scoring, and deliberations for recommendations to the Council.

Guidelines created by the city and advisory bodies were reviewed, with some areas needing tweaks.

Discussion on selecting a new chair and vice-chair.

Mandy Del was elected vice-chair and may move to chair.

5. Review Assigned Duties and Expectations of AHAC

Suggestions included updating scoring criteria, providing better direction for scores, and including common acronyms and terms.

The committee will continue to fine-tune the program and create processes for getting funds out the door.

6. Adjournment: Dalrymple (Vice Chair) adjourned the March 12, 2025, Affordable Housing Advisory Committee meeting at 5 p.m.

7. Decisions:

8. Action Items:

9. Next Meeting: April 9, 2025, 3 pm – 5 pm. City Council Chambers, 710 NW Wall Street, Bend, Oregon



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