



OREGON

MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# Management Update Minutes

**Tuesday, December 14, 2021, 9:30 a.m.**

Courthouse Square, 555 Court St. NE, Salem  
5th Floor, Suite 5231, Commissioners Boardroom

## ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners Kevin Cameron, Danielle Bethell, and Colm Willis, Chad Ball, Tim Glisson, Chris Eppley, Tanisha Bush, Tamra Goettsch, Jessica Stanton, Jane Vetto, Matt Lawyer, Jon Heynen, Melissa Rounds, and Kristy Witherell as recorder.

## GUESTS:

Jimmy Jones, Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action Agency  
Terri Gonzalez, Immanuel Lutheran Church  
Bill Weismann, Consultant  
Josh Graves and Erica Chavez, Catholic Community Services  
Dan Bullock and Kelvin Valdovinos, CASA of Oregon

Kevin Cameron called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.

## INFORMATIONAL:

### **Woodburn Opportunity Center Presentation**

- Jessica Stanton
- Terri Gonzalez, Immanuel Lutheran Church – Building Team Chair
- Jimmy Jones, Community Action Agency
- Josh Graves, Catholic Community Services
- Eddie Sepeda, Farmworker Housing Development Corporation

### ***Summary of presentation:***

- 8 acres of land was purchased in 2005;
- Needs were identified for the following:
  - A place for social services; and
  - Indoor and outdoor community gathering spaces.
- A new non-profit will be established to run the facility;
- Looking at being annexed into the City of Woodburn;
- Looking into the possibility of 2 acres being used for affordable housing;
- Will include a 2 acre park;
- Looking at the possibility of having a senior center;
- Would become the home of the Woodburn Community Meal program;
- Potential space partners:
  - Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action Agency;
  - Family Building Blocks;
  - Catholic Community Services;
  - Oregon Tech dental hygiene program;
  - Little Lambs Preschool;

- Pan de Vida;
- Love INC;
- North West Senior and Disability Services;
- Chamber of Commerce;
- Mano a Mano;
- Woodburn School District;
- Farmworker housing; and
- Russian Old Believers.
- The estimated project cost is just under \$10 million;
- Funding sources will include the sale of the current Immanuel Lutheran church property;
- Asking the board to help the project take the next steps:
  - Convene the partner and leadership team;
  - Secure a campaign funding manager;
  - Retain a consultant;
  - Architecture expenses; and
  - Secure the annex into Woodburn.
- The next steps will cost an estimated \$150,000:
  - Immanuel Lutheran will contribute \$20,000; and
  - Asking the board for a contribution.
- The Community Action Agency is committed to the project; and
- The Farmworker Housing Development Corporation supports the project.

***Board discussion:***

- The City of Woodburn is supportive of the project;
- The commissioners support the project; and
- The commissioners want to know Woodburn’s funding commitment before they commit any funds.

**Wildfire Update**

- All

***Summary of presentation:***

Troy Gregg:

- Gave an update on the Juvenile Department’s efforts with collecting fallen wood in the canyon.

Tom Rohlfing:

- Will be done with property tax refunds at the end of this week;
- Receiving applications for property tax refunds:
  - Will bring those to the board.
- Have received appeals from a group of properties who access their properties using a bridge that crosses over Sinkers Creek:
  - The bridge burned, so they have no access to their properties; and
  - Will get more information from Mr. Nicholas and bring back to the board if necessary.

## **Health & Human Services/COVID Update**

- All

### ***Summary of presentation:***

#### Tamra Goettsch:

- Relief checks for seven businesses issued by Willamette Workforce Partnership were not cleared by the bank:
  - The checks are being reissued; and
  - All bank fees will be covered by Willamette Workforce Partnership.

Meeting adjourned at 10:31 a.m.

COMPLETED BY: **Kristy Witherell**

*Reviewed by: Shawnnell Fuentes*