

## MEETING SUMMARY

### REDMOND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

**Monday, April 10, 2023 - 6:30 pm**

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#### 1. Call to Order

Commissioners present: Rachid Erekaeni, Kathleen Reynolds, Anny Smith, Jung Lee, Laya Nair

Staff present: Alaric Bien

#### 2. Meeting Summary: March 13, 2023 meeting summary approved by universal acclamation

#### 3. Items From the Audience: none

#### 4. Community Norms

Staff reviewed community norms and asked if there were any additions or modification. None currently but will revisit next month

#### 5. Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

Jung presented the city's [definition of equity](#) and commission discussed how this affects the work of the commission.

#### 6. King County Regional Homelessness Authority (KCRHA)

Mallory Van Abbema, Eastside Subregional Planning Specialist, presented an overview of KCRHA, touched on the 5 year strategic plan, and spoke about the work in East King County. Full presentation is [here](#).

The [Regional Services Database](#) is currently undergoing its first update w/version 2.0 scheduled for publication later this month. The [Implementation Board System Planning Committee](#) meets weekly on Thursdays 3-5 pm and is working on the final revisions to the Five Year Plan. The new [Office of the Ombuds](#) handles complaints from the community and providers.

#### 7. Redmond's Homeless Response

Tiza Rutherford, Redmond's Homeless Outreach Administrator, presented on the City's [response to homelessness](#), the history, current situation, services available, and common misconceptions. She particularly encourages people to help spread the word on [Redmond's approach to panhandling](#) and sharing Tiza's card widely.

## **8. Fund Balance and Policy**

Staff briefly shared that we normally have a small fund balance kept in reserve for emergencies and use the existing Out of Cycle Funding policy to address any requests. We currently have a very large balance due to underperformance by some programs in the last cycle and need review and update the Out of Cycle Funding policy and determine with the Commission how to expend the additional funds, perhaps through a targeted request for proposals (RFP) in a particular area(s).

Staff will provide memo with recommendations to be discussed more fully next month.

## **9. Commission & Staff Updates**

None

Adjourned at 8:30 pm.