

MEETING SUMMARY
REDMOND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING
Monday, April 12, 2021 - 6:30 pm

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

Commissioners present: Janet Richards, Rachid Erekaeni, Rue Khosa, Marilyn Lazaro, Kristen Muscott, Anny Smith, Jacob Brown, Jiwon Kim

Staff present: Beverly Mesa-Zendt, Beckye Frey, Ian Lefcourte, Alaric Bien

2. March 8, 2021 Meeting Summary

Anny moved to approve the meeting summary; Rachid seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Items from the Audience

None.

4. CDBG-CV3 Public Comment

The required 5 day public notice was given on the proposed allocation plan for Round 3 Community Development Block Grant - Coronavirus funds. This meeting served as the public hearing for comments on that plan. There was no public comment.

5. Agency Presentations

[Fair Housing Center of Washington](#), Adria Buchanan, Executive Director

Based in Tacoma, working against unlawful housing discrimination state-wide

They conduct investigations, testing, and research

They also provide training to municipalities and landlords

[King County Bar Association Housing Justice Project](#), Tram Tran-Larson, Community

Engagement Manger

Based in the King County courthouse in Seattle and Kent with 8-9 attorneys

They help with eviction notices, and submission of notices of appearance

Like an emergency room, they must triage the most critical cases to work on first in order to prevent evictions

They deal with the very end of the eviction process

[Eastside Legal Assistance Program](#), Gerald Shepherd Kröon, Executive Director

They are 1 of 16 legal aid organizations statewide, handling East King County

7 full time staff attorneys, 4 focusing on domestic violence, 1 on medical and housing stability, 1 each in Kirkland and Bellevue on eviction prevention
They are using CARES dollars to buy low bono attorney services, in Kirkland, Bellevue, Issaquah, Sammamish, Kent, and Auburn and have served over 100 households served since October
All attorneys are fully mobile and because of that were able to increase services by 27% last year
The biggest need may be domestic violence - can only help with 1 case out of every 5
Senate bill 5160 which gives legal aid for all evictions was passed today

6. Redmond 2050

Staff presented an overview of the framework for the Redmond 2050 plan and reviewed the timeline and themes. Commissioners provided feedback on the [presentation](#) and requested that staff return at a later date for a fuller discussion.

7. Welcoming Week

Moved to May agenda.

8. Commissioner and Staff Updates

Due to lack of time, commissioners were asked to forward any informational items to staff for distribution.

9. Round Robin

None.

10. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:31.