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TO: Board of County Commissioners
Scott Vargo
Jeff Huntley
FROM: Sara R. Lopez
RE: Work Session Meeting of August 25, 2020
DATE: August 25, 2020

Attendees:

Elected Officials (via Zoom): Karn Stiegelmeier, Elisabeth Lawrence and Thomas C. Davidson – Commissioners

Staff (via Zoom): Scott Vargo, County Manager; Jeff Huntley, County Attorney; Keely Ambrose, Assistant County Attorney; Bentley Henderson, Assistant County Manager; Sarah Vaine, Assistant County Manager; Jason Dietz, Housing Director; Jim Curnutte, Community Development Director; Brandon Howes, Housing Senior Planner; April Paige, Executive Administrative Manager and Sara R Lopez, Administrative Assistant.

Guests (via Zoom or phone): April-Dawn Knudsen, Jennifer McAtamney, Nancy VanDeMark, Ann Marie Damian, Sawyer DArgonne and others who did not sign in.

I. Managers' and Commissioners' Issues

Senior Management and Commissioners discussed several topics including but not limited to:

Bentley Henderson said that the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new electric buses is scheduled for October 19, 2020. Open Space & Trails will be promoting their Recreation Path Safety and Etiquette video to remind locals and visitors of common courtesy towards other users as well as safety tips to avoid accidents and injuries.

He also shared that the annual hazardous waste event; normally held in the spring, may be canceled for 2020. The vendors and organizations that normally collaborate with the county are still reluctant to take part in large gatherings. He reminded everyone that the landfill continues to accept these items.

Sarah Vaine gave an update on Right Start Funding and Summit Preschool enrollment numbers.

Commissioners also reviewed schedules and upcoming calendar events.

II. Habitat Lot Deed Restriction Review (Housing)

Jason Dietz and April-Dawn Knudsen, from Habitat from Humanity, gave a presentation and update on topics including but not limited to:

The County and Summit Habitat for Humanity "Habitat" previously entered into a Memorandum of Understanding where the County agrees to transfer the Dillon Valley Vistas remainder lot, Lot 1, Block 2, Dillon Valley Subdivision #1, to Habitat to construct a single family home according to Habitats practices and procedures. This land donation provides a rare opportunity for Habitat to construct new, for sale home to be sold to a household within our local workforce making below 80% AMI.

Draft Habitat Lot Deed Restriction:

The Habitat Lot deed restriction is based off the County's recently adopted Housing Guidelines, which provide flexibility to developers in creating deed restrictions that meet the developers' vision for the project and meet the County's objectives in workforce housing. As the deed restriction needs to be finalized prior to the transfer of the lot, staff wanted an opportunity to provide a summary of critical areas of the Draft Habitat Lot Deed Restriction and highlight differences from our template deed restriction.

Ms. Knudsen gave an overview of their candidate-selection process and what owning a Habitat home entails. Habitat for Humanity will be offering homeownership classes in the month of September. Details are on their website: <http://summithabitat.org/our-programs/home-ownership/>.

Commissioners approved the Habitat Lot Draft Deed Restriction and thanked Ms. Knudsen and Mr. Dietz for their presentation.

III. SC Behavioral Health Recommendations (Building Hope & Innovela Consulting)

Nancy VanDeMark, Jen McAtamney and Sarah Vaine gave an update on topics including but not limited to:

Strong Futures 1A Grant Priorities

- Behavioral Health Crisis: Treatment & Support System.
- Enhanced navigation services for people with serious mental illness
- Enhanced school-based behavioral health services
- Reintegration after residential treatment
- Expanded psychiatric care
- Peer support program
- Intensive outpatient for mental health and substance use

Recommendation No. 1

Identify a vendor to develop the ATU space into a multi-service recovery hub (mental health and substance use) that provides:

- Adult drop-in center/crisis respite for individuals requiring time out from mental health crisis and/or awaiting residential substance use treatment.
- Peer support for adults and youth experiencing mental health or substance use conditions including those with serious and persistent mental illness
- Peer led social/leisure skills development for adults and youth (both provided on site and through connections with local resources)

- Employment support (partnership with local resources for recovery specific job skills development, facilitate relationships with recovery-friendly employers)
- Housing support (partnerships with local housing resources, facilitate relationships with recovery housing)
- Intensive case management for adults and youth needing additional support in conjunction with IOP or OP mental health or substance use services and or reintegration following residential treatment
- Access to Spanish-language and culturally-appropriate services (including LGBTQ+)

Recommendation No. 2

Formalize partnerships for smooth transitions of adults and youth requiring crisis stabilization or residential substance use treatment:

- Formalize partnerships with state-funded Crisis ASOs (Rocky Mountain Health Plans and Signal Behavioral Health) for access to crisis stabilization (adult and youth) on front range
- Formalize partnership with state-funded MSOs (Signal Behavioral Health and West Slope Casa) and RAE (Rocky Mountain Health Plans) for access to residential substance use treatment on front range
- Continue partnership with Vail Health and Eagle Valley Behavioral Health as they develop crisis behavioral health service
- Identify a vendor to provide transportation to and from front range and Summit and Eagle Counties

Recommendation No. 3

Develop community strategy to expand options for recovery housing and/or transitional residential substance use treatment:

- Explore available funding for expansion of recovery housing through State opioid grant funds
- Explore providers interested in developing transitional residential substance use treatment as Medicaid benefit expands in January 2021

Recommendation No. 4

Explore potential to provide immediate access to Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) for opioid and alcohol use disorders:

- Quantify the need/demand for treatment for opioid use disorders and barriers to access through data from emergency department, co-responder team and clinically managed detoxification program
- Explore further linkages between clinically managed detox program and Care Clinic and/or Mobile MAT effort (Front Range Clinic)
- Promote availability of MAT to assist with or avert withdrawal from opioids and alcohol
- Ensure linkage between MAT providers and Spanish-language and culturally diverse counseling and supportive service providers (including LGBTQ+)

Next Steps

- Convene stakeholders (including Eagle County representatives) to refine plan
- Develop RFP for "Recovery Hub" concept and invite organizations responding to RFI along with others to apply

- Meet with ASOs, MSOs, mobile crisis, Recovery Resources, hospitals and Eagle County providers to develop crisis transfer protocols and transportation options
- Develop funding model and RFP for transportation
- Convene stakeholder group on recovery housing (local housing authority, Oxford, Pastor Rick, Pathways to Recovery, West Slope Casa)
- Convene co-responder team, Recovery Resources, hospitals, Care Clinic and Front Range Clinic (mobile MAT provider) to discuss MAT on-demand access needs and solutions

IV. Discussion of Colorado Fair Campaign Practices Act (CFCPA) and the Legal Issues related thereto (Attorney) (Executive Session Recommended)

A motion was made by Commissioner Davidson and seconded by Commissioner Lawrence to discuss the Colorado Fair Campaign Practices Act (CFCPA) and Related Matters. The BOCC voted 3 to 0 to go into Executive Session per CRS 24-6-402 (4) (a)(b)(e). The motion was approved.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:



Sara R Lopez, Deputy Clerk



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Approved by:



Karn Stiegelmeier, Chair