

FAIR & AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMISSION



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The meeting was called to order at 5:20 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Randy Baukol, Chair; Steve Bonnar, Casey Holcomb-Hawkes, Linda Pike, Bruce Pitman

MEMBERS ABSENT: Manisha Wilson, Melanie Wolf

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Kathryn Bonzo, Bill Belknap, Aimee Hennrich

1. Approval of November 7, 2019 Minutes [ACTION]

Holcomb-Hawkes moved approval of the minutes as presented, seconded by Bonnar. Motion carried by acclamation.

2. Palouse Housing Study Review

Belknap provided an overview of the Council workshop held on December 2. Commissioners had several questions including where the study has been presented and what the membership criteria will be for the proposed working group that will carry forward the report's recommendations. Bonzo strongly encouraged Commissioners to follow-up regarding the implementation team. Pitman moved and Bonnar seconded that the Commission submit its thoughts via letter. Discussion continued without a vote. Waiving building permit fees to help housing construction be more affordable was discussed, and whether the increased tax base might offset lost fees. Baukol said some aspects of the report fit for Moscow and the Commission could decide to insert itself where appropriate. He asked Commissioners to put their thoughts and questions in writing for the next meeting to use as wording in a formal letter to the PEP strategic team.

3. 2020 Wellness Fair Planning Discussion [ACTION]

Pike reported she had not yet received confirmation on IHFA's participation at the February 13th event. It is scheduled for 11am to 5pm at the Fairgrounds. Hennrich will create a doodle poll for Commissioners to sign up for staffing the table.

4. Announcements

Due to the proximity to the New Year holiday, the regular January 2, 2020 meeting will be postponed until January 9th.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Randy Baukol, Chair