

Seattle-King County CoC Board Regular Meeting Minutes

Date/Time

April 3rd, 2024; 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Roll Call

Name	Present
Patricia Sam	X
Tamara Bauman	X
Kenyatta CarrollHillman	
Leeze Castro	X
Zsa Zsa Floyd	
Marvin Futrell	X
Antoinette Lambert	X
Dorsol Plants	X
Ruby Romero	X
Martha Sassorossi	X
Kristina Sawyckyj	
Sherry Tillman	X
Galena White	
Lacee Morgan	

- Roll Call – [9] members present – [5] members absent
- Quorum is (Met)

Land Acknowledgement & Theory of Change (Marvin Futrell & Zsa Zsa Floyd)

- **Land Acknowledgement:** The King County Continuum of Care Board acknowledges that we work on the unseated traditional lands of the Coast Salish peoples, especially the first peoples of Seattle, the Duwamish people. The original stewards of the land, past and present. We honor with gratitude the land itself and the Duwamish tribe. This acknowledgement only becomes meaningful when combined with accountable relationships and informed action and is the first step in honoring the land that we today sit on and their peoples.

- **Theory of Change** – If we create a homelessness response system that centers people who have lived experience of homelessness, then we will be able to meet needs and eliminate inequities, in order to end homelessness for all.

Minutes Review – February 7th, 2024

- Vote: To Approve the February 7th CoC Meeting Minutes
- Motion: Approved

Name	Present
Patricia Sam	X
Tamara Bauman	X
Kenyatta CarrollHillman	
Leeze Castro	X
Zsa Zsa Floyd	
Marvin Futrell	X
Antoinette Lambert	X
Dorsol Plants	X
Ruby Romero	X
Martha Sassorossi	X
Kristina Sawyckyj	
Sherry Tillman	
Galena White	
Lacee Morgan	

Minutes Review – March 6th, 2024

- Vote: To Approve the March 6th CoC Meeting Minutes
- Motion: Approved

Name	Present
Patricia Sam	X
Tamara Bauman	X
Kenyatta CarrollHillman	
Leeze Castro	X
Zsa Zsa Floyd	
Marvin Futrell	X
Antoinette Lambert	X
Dorsol Plants	X
Ruby Romero	X

Martha Sassorossi	X
Kristina Sawyckyj	
Sherry Tillman	X
Galena White	
Lacee Morgan	

Public Comment & Responses to “Parking Lot” Questions:

- [The Parking Lot Q&A](#) (INTERNAL WORD DOC)
- **Elizabeth Maupin** – Severe weather shelters – We have the King County Libraries offering severe weather shelter while they are open which may work well this summer during the heat during the day but it's not working too well in the winter when the cold is the problem and they are closed during the coldest parts of the day. She is wondering if KCRHA is working on that problem. When we look at severe weather shelter, are we focusing primarily in Seattle, or is there a good span out in the inter-lands? She thinks we will get more support from the inter-lands with severe weather shelter. She realizes that it is more difficult because transportation is scarcer in the inter-lands.
- **Juanita Spotted Elk** – Wondering about the numbers and the severe weather work. Wants to be sure that we are staying on top of it. She appreciated every opportunity of engagement to make change. Acknowledges that the whole purpose is to transform gate keeping into liberated spaces and coming together as a unified people.

Governing Committee & Implementation Board Nominations – Austin Christofferson (Clerk of the Authority):

- **Representatives of Lived Experience:**
 - **Implementation Board:**
 - Fully Seated Members
 - Zsa Zsa Floyd
 - Term Concluded 2023
 - Okesha Brandon
 - Term Concludes 2024
 - VACANT
 - Term Concludes 2025
 - Alternate: Marvin Futrell
 - Term Concludes 2027
 - **Governing Committee:**
 - Fully Seated Members
 - Roosevelt McQuarter Jr.
 - Felicia Salcedo
 - VACANT

- Alternate: Lamont Green
- Serve until replaced by the Advisory Committee

Process for Implementation Board:

- Advisory Committee Nominates
- Governing Committee Confirms
- Member sits next IB meeting

Process for Governing Committee:

- Advisory Committee makes the appointment
- GC member sits next meeting

What is the process we are using to appoint?

Nominations:

- The Chair will seek nominations for position.
- Any member, not the chair, can motion to nominate for position.
- Motion must be seconded.
- Repeats until no more nominations are made.

Voting:

- Chair will go in order of nominations received, one by one.
- Clerk/recorder of meeting will do a roll call of members.
- Each member called upon will vote, “yea” or “nay” on nomination.

Appointment:

- If nominee did not receive a majority yea votes, (50% +1) we move on to the next nomination until a winner is decided.
- Once majority of votes are reached by one nominee voting concludes and we have our appointee.

Nominations for GC:

- Board Member Dorsol Plants – Nominates Lamont Green for GC
 - Board Member Patricia Sam – Seconds Dorsol’s nomination.
 - Board Member Sherry Tillman & Board Member Tamara Bauman also second Dorsol’s nomination
- Board Member Ruby Romero nominates Mike Dee to the GC
 - No second was made
- Nominations are closed for the GC seat.

Voting for the Nomination of Lamont Green for the GC:

Name	Present
Patricia Sam	Yea
Tamara Bauman	Yea
Kenyatta CarrollHillman	
Leeze Castro	Nae
Zsa Zsa Floyd	
Marvin Futrell	Yea
Antoinette Lambert	Yea
Dorsol Plants	Yea
Ruby Romero	Yea
Martha Sassorossi	Abstain
Kristina Sawyckyj	
Sherry Tillman	Yea
Galena White	
Lacee Morgan	

- 7 “Yeas”, 1 “Nae”, 1 Abstain – Nomination has passed for Lamont Green to be seated on the GC

Nominations for IB:

- Board Member Patricia Sam nominates Jamella Kennebrew
 - Board Member Antoinette Lambers seconds Patricia’s nomination
- Board Member Tamara Bauman nominates Mike Dee
 - Board Member Ruby Romero & Board Member Sherry Tillman second Tamara’s nomination
- Nominations are closed.

Voting on Jamella Kennebrew for the IB:

Name	Present
Patricia Sam	Yea
Tamara Bauman	Abstain
Kenyatta CarrollHillman	
Leeze Castro	Abstain
Zsa Zsa Floyd	
Marvin Futrell	Abstain
Antoinette Lambert	Yea
Dorsol Plants	Yea
Ruby Romero	Abstain
Martha Sassorossi	Abstain
Kristina Sawyckyj	

Sherry Tillman	Abstain
Galena White	
Lacee Morgan	

- Board Member Ruby Romero calls for a Division/Re-Vote
 - Board Member Tamara Bauman seconds
 - Board Member Patricia Sam objects the Re-Vote

Voting to Approve/Deny the Re-Vote:

Name	Present
Patricia Sam	Yea
Tamara Bauman	Nae
Kenyatta CarrollHillman	
Leeze Castro	Yea
Zsa Zsa Floyd	
Marvin Futrell	Yea
Antoinette Lambert	Yea
Dorsol Plants	Yea
Ruby Romero	Nae
Martha Sassorossi	Yea
Kristina Sawyckyj	
Sherry Tillman	Nae
Galena White	
Lacee Morgan	

- 6 “Yeas”, “3 “Naes” the re-vote will take place

Voting on Jamella Kennebrew for the IB:

Name	Present
Patricia Sam	Yea
Tamara Bauman	Nae
Kenyatta CarrollHillman	
Leeze Castro	Yea
Zsa Zsa Floyd	
Marvin Futrell	Nae
Antoinette Lambert	Yea
Dorsol Plants	Yea
Ruby Romero	Nae
Martha Sassorossi	Yea
Kristina Sawyckyj	

Sherry Tillman	Nae
Galena White	
Lacee Morgan	

- 5 “Yeas”, 4 “Naes” we are moving onto the next candidate

Voting on the nomination of Mike Dee for IB:

Name	Present
Patricia Sam	Nae
Tamara Bauman	Yea
Kenyatta CarrollHillman	
Leeze Castro	Yea
Zsa Zsa Floyd	
Marvin Futrell	Yea
Antoinette Lambert	Nae
Dorsol Plants	Nae
Ruby Romero	Yea
Martha Sassorossi	Yea
Kristina Sawyckyj	
Sherry Tillman	Yea
Galena White	
Lacee Morgan	

- 6 “Yeas”, 3 “Naes” the nomination for Mike Dee to be on the IB passes.

Nominations for the new term on the IB:

- Board Member Patricia Sam nominates Zsa Zsa
 - Board Member Antoinette Lambers seconds Patricia’s nomination.
 - Nominations are closed.

Voting on the nomination of Zsa Zsa Floyd to the IB:

Name	Present
Patricia Sam	Yea
Tamara Bauman	Yea
Kenyatta CarrollHillman	
Leeze Castro	Yea
Zsa Zsa Floyd	
Marvin Futrell	Yea
Antoinette Lambert	Yea
Dorsol Plants	Yea

Ruby Romero	Yea
Martha Sassorossi	Yea
Kristina Sawyckyj	
Sherry Tillman	Yea
Galena White	
Lacee Morgan	

- With 9 “yeas” the nomination for Zsa Zsa Floyd to be seated on the IB passes.
- There is now one open alternate seat on the GC. We will vote on that in next month’s meeting.

CoC Convening Workgroup – Alan Guttirez:

- Our upcoming convening will be on May 29th, 2024, and it will be in person. There are several current CoC members whose terms on the CoC board are expiring in the months ahead. It is critical that we use the CoC Convening to seat new CoC members so that we have as full of a board as possible. This will be at the top of the agenda and will include some introductions of new members. We will provide some coffee and snacks in the morning before we start the introductions. There are some mission critical required training opportunities. These will be surrounding equal access and serving survivors of domestic violence. KCRHA and the CoC Board are credibly enthusiastic about ensuring access across the homelessness response system as well as ensuring that the system is responsive and supportive of survivors. There is not a lot of wiggle room in the agenda. Alan will be convening an ad hoc workgroup that will meet on a weekly basis from April to mid-June, 2024. Invites everyone to reach out to Alan if you are interested in being a part of the planning of the convening. With the annual NOFO coming up, it is critical to complete those trainings. We want to ensure that we are providing routine training.
 - Board Member Ruby Romero & Board Member Patricia Sam offers her assistance in helping to plan the convening.
- Reading from the chat: The person that was nominated for the GC did receive a nomination for someone that did not say yea or nae.
 - Board Member Dorsol Plants believes that the comment above was in reference to the fact that there was an abstention that was turned in as part of our vote for Lamont Green. Thinks that the failure to follow procedures calls for a re-vote.
 - Board Member Tamara Bauman calls attention to the comment in the chat about Jamella Kennebrew not getting a fair shot. It is important to her that Jamella Kennebrew gets a fair shot and that we shoot for empathy and equity. If there was any kind of unjust procedure, she thinks it would be incumbent upon us to redo. She feels that it invalidates the decision. We must look at everything we do with equity and an eye towards justice.

Vote to Approve Scope of Work Cross Cutting Policy Workgroup – Ruby Romero:

- Vote: To Approve the Scope of Work for Cross Cutting Policy Workgroup
- Motion: Approved

Name	Present
Patricia Sam	X
Tamara Bauman	X
Kenyatta CarrollHillman	
Leeze Castro	X
Zsa Zsa Floyd	
Marvin Futrell	X
Antoinette Lambert	X
Dorsol Plants	X
Ruby Romero	X
Martha Sassorossi	X
Kristina Sawyckyj	
Sherry Tillman	
Galena White	
Lacee Morgan	

- Board Member Ruby Romeo reads through the Scope of Work for the Cross Cutting Policy Workgroup. She focuses on the criminalization of homelessness, how harmful sweeps are, etc. She wants to use this portion of knowledge sharing and doing reports on specifics like what metrics we’re going to be building together for the community. She spoke at the City Council yesterday and offered them the opportunity to sign up for the workgroup and is hoping to hear back. She will be contacting other people from the community that represent various important roles that are not represented. She is working on ordinances and is hoping to reevaluate what a bill of rights for people experiencing homelessness would be in the KC CoC. She encourages people with lived experience and others to apply to be apart of the workgroup once it is posted to the KCRHA website.
 - Co-Chair motions to accept the scope of work. Board Member Tamara Bauman seconds the motion.
- **Continued discussion on Workgroup Logistics:** Board Member Ruby Romero – This workgroup is structured to ensure system level focus in support of the Continuum of Care. This work group is formed to develop recommendations or share practices regarding interventions, challenges or policy issues chaired by the director of the appropriate office. The workgroup also includes representation from groups serving populations such as veterans, domestic violence survivors, families, youth, unsheltered persons, etc. The committee may exceed the 12-person standard that is outlined in the KCRHA CoC Charter. The workgroup reports to the CoC board on a quarterly basis at minimum and follows all

program rules and 24 CFR 578 which is the CoC rule. Members must be part of the Seattle King County CoC and it will include CoC board members, KCRHA staff and CoC members.

- Once the Cross Cutting Policy Workgroup is approved, possible workgroup members will be reached out to. The makeup of the workgroup may change based on suggested workgroup members' capacity and availability. It is important to note that the workgroup reports to the CoC Board, but the workgroup may decide amongst itself a lead if needed. Members are selected from the staff of the KCRHA, providers (including government partners like the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs (VA) or health care providers) and lived experience communities based on their expertise in the subject matter. Due to OPMA regulations, a maximum of six CoC Board Members may participate in the Cross Cutting Policy Workgroup.
- 2-4 CoC Board members
- 1 KCRHA Communications Team Member
- 1 KCRHA Administrative Staff Member
- 1 Implementation Board Member
- 1 Governing Committee Member
- 1 Youth Action Board Member
- 1 Government Official
- 2 Representatives of CoC partner organizations
- 1 Lived Experience Coalition Member
- 1 Human Trafficking and Sex Work Advocate
- 1 LGBTQIA2spirit+ Representative
- 1 Representative with Living Experience
- 1 Representative with Lived Experience (not LEC)

Deliverables:

- Policy Landscape, Policy Recommendations, Education & Communication, Severe Weather Activation Criteria Evaluation & Recommendations, Miscellaneous. More information can be found in the materials section under this CoC Board Meeting.

Discussion:

- Board Member Dorsol Plants – Wants it to be made clearer that one seat is for a lived experience member and another is for a member of the Lived Experience Coalition. Thinks the scope of work is too large and think it would be best to start smaller.
 - Board Member Ruby Romero – Thanks Dorsol. She wanted to give space for different topics. Her first focus point was on the Bill of Rights portion. Her fear is that when it goes through this Supreme Court Case, one preemptive debate that we can do is by providing a Bill of Rights that would make people experiencing homelessness citizens in the United States. That is what the only argument would be, that the constitution doesn't apply.

All Inside (USICH) Presentation – Katy Miller:

- She is a senior regional advisor for the U.S. Interagency Council of homelessness.

U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness

All Inside: The Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness

- She is going to talk about the federal plan to prevent and end homelessness. She was asked to come and give you all a sense of what we are doing at the federal level as it relates to homelessness.
- US interagency council and homelessness is a small standalone federal agency. Our job is to coordinate the federal response to homelessness across 19 federal agencies and fully staffed for about 18 people and we are a small scrappy group. We are based in Washington DC and 6 of us live outside of Washington and our job is really to bridge what is happening on the ground and happening at the policy level of Washington.

Council Leaders:

- Chair – HHS Secretary Xavier Becerra
- Vice Chair – USDA Secretary Tom Vilsack
 - Council members represent 19 federal agencies.

About USICH:

- Only federal agency solely dedicated to ending homelessness.
- Coordinated federal response across **19 federal agencies** to help create and catalyze implementation of a federal plan.
- Works with **all levels of government** and partners in the private sector and philanthropy to advance most efficient and effective strategies.
- All In was released in December 2022 and these plans are released through each administration. This is the federal plan released under this administration and meant to be a multiyear plan and updated and a line based on resources that come and knowledge that comes along as we move forward.
- The vision of this plan is ambitious and built on our vision of a nation in **which no one** experiences the tragedy and indignity of homelessness, and **everyone** has a safe, stable, accessible, and affordable home. **Reducing homelessness 25% by 2025 is our goal** and push Congress to fully fund the work that needs to be done to address homelessness. The federal plan has 6 pillars and I want to give you a sense of how this plan was written. There are 6 pillars, 3 foundation pillars and 3 solution pillars. Equity is embedded throughout the plan and equity is a key pillar and you'll see it all through the plan. The second is using data and evidence. We just released the first federal research agenda in a decade. This will be driving the evidence base on prevention and ending homelessness and collaborating at all levels. This means all levels of government and the private sector.

- The solution pillars are scaling up housing and supports. We know that housing is a solution to homelessness. Housing first is at the core of this but we can't be successful in housing first without ensuring there are voluntary and appropriate and trauma informed support services. They are funded and linked to that housing. The second solution pillar is really focused on that crisis response system. A piece of that is addressing unsheltered homelessness and we have an initiative we will talk about in a minute about unsheltered homelessness and encampments. We have other federal plans we put out and talked about prevention but never put prevention forward directly. This is the first time where we really call it out as a key piece of the federal plan to hold the federal government accountable for ensuring that as people transition from systems of care from prisons and child welfare systems, and they are not existing into homelessness and holding that piece of the system accountable and ensuring that we are not reducing the inflow of people coming into homelessness. This year you will hear a lot more from us pushing to address that and ensuring that the crisis response system is strong.
- **How All In Can Be Used Locally:**
 - Develop **local and systems-level plans**.
 - Set **state and local goals** to reduce homelessness by 2025.
 - **Educate** partners on the causes of homelessness, challenges, and opportunities.
 - Hold the federal government **accountable**.
 - **Learn** about federal programs, existing federal actions, and new federal strategies.
- I want to talk about all IN side. It is confusing. About a year ago the white house and USICH launched an initiative that is called ALL INside. We selected 7 sites throughout the country where we embedded a federal employee in the community to look at ways where we can reduce barriers to communities really being able to address unsheltered homelessness. These are Federal barriers whether it is policy barriers or regulations, what are the things blocking our ability to do work to address unsheltered homelessness. We are working with KCRHA, County, and the City to address policy barriers and needs and waivers. Many of you are familiar with the federal waivers implemented during the pandemic around Housing Authority's and presumptive eligibility for moving into units before identification could be gathered. Those types of waivers are the types of things we are looking for. We are working on this list and the federal team lead for King County will be helping to move those flexibilities through. 7 sites were selected for this, and we are excited that Seattle King County is one of them.
- We also in our work under the crisis response are really focused on humane responses to addressing encampments. We released a document called 7 principles for addressing encampments and we continue the work that is

foundation of how we see this all inside initiative and continue to work with communities and federal agencies that hold federal land to ensure that they are addressing encampments in a humane way.

- We will be releasing some more guidance very soon around encampment response and it fits into these buckets of our 6 pillars. I wanted to frame this for you that you are aware that all of the work we are doing we are trying to fit into these 6 pillars. I want to be sure that you know how to get access to our federal plan and website USICH.gov and we put out a lot of information through all of the federal agencies through a newsletter that comes out and you can sign up for the newsletter. Funding resources and guidance and you can access our federal plan all in there.

Discussion:

- Board Member Ruby Romero - I am glad you came and did this presentation with us today. I have read that plan before. I love it and think it is really great that you are focusing a lot more on solutions and stuff like that. I don't know if you were in attendance for the scope of work discussion on the crosscutting policy work group but I see potential for insight and that is a good way to maintain contact potentially. I'll be reaching out to you and hopefully we can work together in the future and thank you for your hard work you've been doing.
- Board Member Dorsol Plants - Is there cities or regions in the country that your office considered to be gold star when it comes to encampment work that we can look at?
 - Katy Miller - We highlight communities and there is no gold star. They do great for 1 minute and later things don't go so well. I am hesitant to highlight. There's great work happening in communities. We are about to put up examples of communities around the country that are addressing encampment resolution in a humane way. Your work with the right of way initiative is one of those examples. Again, it is not the entire community. It might be a piece of work. You will see other examples from around the country when we put that out that honestly is not the entire response across that community. As you know this is really hard work. I am not sure anybody is doing it perfectly.
- Board Member Leeze Castro - Wanted to know if you at USICH are involved in direct cash transfer initiatives at all?
 - Katy Miller - We don't administer any programs directly. I work closely with the City of Denver with basic income, and I would hold that up as exciting. There are a few cities across the country that are tasting basic income and doing cash transfers.

- Board Member Tamara Bauman – What guidance can you suggest that we can effectively put pressure on our elected officials to stop criminalizing folks who are experiencing homelessness and our federal government officials are still putting it and still criminalizing and fining and destroying their belongings and marginalizing folks who are the most vulnerable members in our society. How can we get them to (Sighing) list to us.
 - Katy Miller - I hear you and I wish I had that power. We can provide guidance and provide examples and incredible work. I run peer to peer calls with Mayor's Offices up and down the West Coast in California, Hawaii, British Columbia and Oregon, and Washington. It is very hard to put our examples of the right way to do things. I would put forward our 7 principles. I believe those are the right things. I helped to write them after sitting down with David Delgado who is one of your incredible outreach workers here in Seattle with the REACH team. And David highlighted these key pieces how you do this right. That document is something we can hand out and we can put out additional guidance and I heard mention of the Supreme Court case. We are responding to that as a federal agency there are certain agencies that he can or can't say or do. We have a response to that. I ask that folks track that carefully that is the Grants Pass case and what we do locally on people and unsheltered homelessness.
- Co-Chair Marvin Futrell reading from the chat - Thank you for this and the tremendous work your team is doing on the macro level is poverty. On the federal level what is being done at the federal level to lift folks out of poverty. There seems to be more of a (Inaudible) war on the poor with level of homelessness increasing.
 - Katy Miller - That is a big question, and it is an important question. I would like to point you to the president's budget for 2025. It addresses issues with wages and housing and all the things that are about lifting people out of poverty. There have been a tremendous number of resources to help people to prevent people out of homelessness. There's a lot of innovation about supporting households. What we saw because of those innovations and those basic services is that we save lives and people didn't become homeless during the that time because of the safety net. We need to continue to lift those examples and ask for support to help families come out of poverty.

FY2024 Values & Priorities – Kelsey Beckmeyer:

- She reintroduces the CoC Values & Priorities. This is the document that really guides our ranking process in our CoC NOFO. All of the CoC programs renewed and we look at that to see, how do they align with the values and priorities of the CoC and

see if we want to move any rated project higher or lower from their rate from their final rank list. This is the document we have had in prior years. This is a draft copy. This is the copy we used for the competition last year. The beginning is about our overall values and below we have a priority list of the priorities we look at in the projects that we want to fund. The CoC NOFO work group has been convening for the last month and will be looking at this more in depth for the next few weeks. We will be bringing an updated version of this to the board for a vote in May. We wanted to give an opportunity for the board to look at it. Any initial feedback or thoughts we can bring back to the NOFO committee. It is posted on the website under the board materials. We first have a listed overall value. Centering the theory of change promotes the motion to decrease homelessness throughout King County. Intersectional and anti-racist approach. Developing a culturally responsive system and understands communities and services for supports to meet the unique needs of each community.

Values and Project Priorities:

- Center our theory of change
- Promote our mission to significantly decrease the incidence of homelessness throughout KC, using equity and social justice principles.
- Promote equitable access and service provision with an intersectional and an anti-racist approach...
- Develop “a culturally responsive system that values diversity, understands differences and develops services and supports to meet the unique needs of each community.”
- Maximize our community response to homelessness while aiming to maintain as much HUD Continuum of Care Program funding in our CoC as possible.
- Grow a proactive, accountable system through ethical practice.
- Promoting human centered well-being and partnerships with a housing first and harm reduction approach.
 - Then we talk about our priorities. The above are overall values that we hold and then we look at prioritizing projects. These are individual projects that are applying for CoC dollars.
 - We want to see a focus on those who are literally homeless.
 - We want folks to actively participate in the continuum of care through demonstratable racial equity and social justice-oriented practices.
 - We want to see a demonstrated commitment to power-sharing and deference to people with lived experience in organizational design such as board seats and management positions.

- We want to advance as a collective, the goals of the CoC. Including addressing racial disproportionality and achieving equitable outcomes.
- We want to advance as a collective, the goals of the CoC to support our elder community.
- We want to have positive outcomes as designed by our participants to permanent housing.
- We don't want to replace mainstream services such as federally funded health insurance, cash benefits, etc.
- We want to work to connect people to be served by CoC funded commute programs with community-based culture responsive resources.
- We want to see programs that participate in HMIS.
- Projects that demonstrate alignment with HUD housing first standards
- Projects that perform well against HUD CoC goals and positively impact local system performance and equity outcomes.
- Programs that consistently meet or exceed operational standards regarding spending match occupancy and reporting requirements.
- We will be digging into this document with the NOFO committee.
- NOFO is moving to a bi-annual process (Every 2 years). Will be using 2025 to look at our rating process.
 - Tamara Bauman adds in emphasizing workforce wellbeing.

Q&A:

- Member of the public: What have you found most helpful when changing the public narrative relating to homelessness that is behind much of public opposition to main human treatment of those who lack housing?
- Member of the Public: We struggle locally, not only with a short shortage of funds, but with local opposition that makes it difficult to start, or complete projects that are proposed or approved.
 - Kelsey Beckmeyer - We will, you know, we are with Coc dollars. There are usually Coc bonus dollars to begin new projects. So, we will do work to have community conversations about what types of projects there are. So, with Coc dollars, there is specific project types. So, it's really focused on housing projects, permanent support of housing, rapid rehousing and joint component transitional housing, rapid rehousing programs. Those are typically the 3 main pillars of Coc funded projects. And we will have some processes likely beginning in June. To have a conversation about strategy for

any potential bonus dollars that we may have available in the NOFO process this year.

- Board Member Patricia Sam – Noticed that Mike Dee requested to be nominated to be on the GC but he was voted onto the IB. We will address this in the Monday Planning Meeting.

Co-Chair Marvin Futrell - The Continuum of Care board has 8 open seats, and we will be having our convening on May 29th, 2024.

Next Steps & Adjourn

- Next meeting: Wednesday, May 1st, 2024; 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM