Office of Governor Kotek — Housing and Homelessness Committee (RJC) 5/1/2024 – Zoom 3:00-4:30 p.m.

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OTHER ATTENDEES

X	Andre Bealer	X	Matthew Tschabold	
X	Javier Cervantes	X	Tamara Brickman	
X	Susana Sandoval			

Topic/Lead	Notes/Main Points	Decisions/Action Items
Welcome	Introductions	
	Reminder: Today is the final day to reapply. It's a crucial time to focus on retention and to delve into the recruitment for new membership. We are available to assist with the Workday application process.	
Committee previous priorities from Jam Board	 Priorities from Jam Board Regional Housing: There has been significant discussion surrounding this topic. Mortgage Interest Deduction Reform: A key area of focus. Cost of Housing: Addressing the affordability aspect. 	

- **Housing Financing and Homeownership Readiness** Policies: Exploring strategies to facilitate homeownership. Siletz Reservation Insights: The visit provided valuable insights into rent forgiveness practices that could be considered. **Affordable Housing Development:** Specifically for
 - agricultural workers.
 - Mental Health and Homelessness: Understanding the interconnection and addressing the needs.
 - **Intersecting with Other Committees:** Exploring opportunities for collaboration and intersection.

Review of committee impact i.e. legislation, policy, and budget

Advancement of Governor's Goals

- **Committee Contributions**: Members have significantly contributed to advancing the governor's goals.
- **Budget and Program Development**: Focused on the budget process, development, and program enhancements.

Reflections and Actions

- **Resource Expansion**: The governor has prioritized expanding resources to enhance shelters and establish turnkey navigation centers.
- Financial Commitment: An allocation of \$155 million to rapidly expand the shelter system and provide housing and homelessness services for 9 tribes.
- **Program Design and Redesign:** Structural changes are being implemented by OHCS.

Advocacy and Equity

- 2024 Advocacy: Support for advocating \$39 million in rehousing resources in the upcoming session.
- **Cultural Specificity**: Ensuring set-asides for culturally specific agencies.
- Governor's Directive: Clear expectations have been set for equity to improve the framework in which the H&H agenda and funding are implemented.

Ouestions and Answers

- **RJC Report**: In March 2023, the RJC issued an extensive report. Javier will send the report as it includes a significant portion on H&H.
- Fund Allocation: Discussions on the complexity of fund allocation and distribution of sheltering funds are

	ongoing. Feedback is being considered to determine	
	the best structure for implementation by OHCS. • Flexibility Encouragement: A strong recommendation for flexibility has been made, especially regarding the African American church's efforts to access funds for their significant role in the warming center operations.	
Updated	Housing Production Committee Update	
Governor's Priorities	Inquiry: Status check on the committee's efforts to remove barriers to affordable housing and the outcomes that have been incorporated into actual policies. Response: • Governor's Priorities: The committee has aligned with the governor's priorities and submitted their report in January during the final meeting. • Housing Production Framework: The governor is amid finalizing the housing production framework. This framework is yet to be completed. • Incorporation of Recommendations: Suggestions from housing agencies, tribes, and the Racial Justice Council (RJC) are being integrated. • Action Items: The governor is identifying which action items to pursue and plans to include them in the upcoming budgets. • Framework Focus: A significant focus of both frameworks is on the existing programs and the necessary changes to improve them. • System Alignment: Efforts are underway to better align and coordinate existing systems to enhance efficiency and effectiveness. • Racial Equity: This is a foundational element of the frameworks. • Development Process: Each action item will undergo an additional process to be fully developed, ensuring the RJC's feedback and guidance are properly	
	incorporated. Note : The governor is still in the process of finalizing the frameworks.	
Staff recommendation on agenda topics to align with state timelines	Budget Publication and Committee Involvement • Last Month's Budget: The committee aims to be actively involved following the budget published last December. • Frameworks Alignment: Recommendations are	

being aligned with two frameworks: homelessness response and housing production. Governor's Action: There is anticipation for the governor to finalize both frameworks by the end of the week. **Input and Planning** Legislative Days: Upcoming legislative days present opportunities for input. • Committee Work Plan: Mapping out the committee's work until July 2025 is crucial, with feedback being a key component. **Comments and Reactions** Governor's Insights: A desire to hear directly from the governor regarding their big ideas and their impact. Revenue for Housing: There is concern over the scarcity of resources for housing and homelessness, highlighting the need for serious public revenue streams. **Budget Development Process:** The governor is setting up a process for agency requests and budget development, with a forecast by the end of May to guide the next steps. Agency Prioritization: Agencies are being guided to prioritize requests, with a focus on maintaining shelters funded by one-time investments. **Concerns and Observations Affordability Crisis**: The affordability crisis is causing families to struggle with housing costs, raising concerns about maintaining shelter capacity postpandemic. **Youth Homelessness:** The spike in youth homelessness, particularly among children of color and LGBTQ+ youth, calls for targeted solutions. **Resource and Framework Issues:** Discussions revolve around not just new ideas but actionable steps, especially in the context of racial justice and resource allocation. Learn about timelines for budget, policy and/or legislation Future committee **Committee Engagement Request** agenda development **Involvement in Budget Planning: The committee** ideas seeks to be actively involved in the engagement process of the governor's budget plan.

Committee engagement / recruitment Committee Update and Recruitment Strategy Agenda Item Suggestion State of the Committee: Discuss whether there's a need to recruit new members or reconnect with current ones. Recruitment Process Shared Spreadsheet: Utilized for tracking		Discussion Time: There is a desire for dedicated time to discuss any gaps and to bring forward issues that need to be elevated to the governor's attention.	
recruitment efforts made via phone and email. Diversity Goal: Aiming for geographic diversity in the committee. Member Involvement: Encouraging current members to share connections for potential recruitment. Governor's Role: The governor is responsible for appointing committee and RJC members, aiming to blend new energy with the existing group's dynamism. Post-Mecting Actions External Recruitment: Plans to initiate external recruitment after retaining known members. Recruitment Matrix: A matrix categorizing potential voices by geography, experience, and lived experience has been created and will be updated for coordinators' use in recruitment. Outreach: Javier will contact Jenny regarding the matrix details. Membership and Meetings Optimal Size: The governor recommends having 8-12 members as the ideal committee size. Ongoing Engagement: Efforts will continue to engage those previously interested in joining. Meeting Schedule: Meetings are set to occur bimonthly, with calendar invites and a recruitment template to be distributed soon. June Meeting: The last Wednesday of June is proposed for the next meeting, subject to change due to conflicts. Recruitment Timeline Active Recruitment: Intensive recruitment efforts will take place in May, with the process being open throughout the year.	engagement /	 State of the Committee: Discuss whether there's a need to recruit new members or reconnect with current ones. Recruitment Process Shared Spreadsheet: Utilized for tracking recruitment efforts made via phone and email. Diversity Goal: Aiming for geographic diversity in the committee. Member Involvement: Encouraging current members to share connections for potential recruitment. Governor's Role: The governor is responsible for appointing committee and RJC members, aiming to blend new energy with the existing group's dynamism. Post-Meeting Actions External Recruitment: Plans to initiate external recruitment after retaining known members. Recruitment Matrix: A matrix categorizing potential voices by geography, experience, and lived experience has been created and will be updated for coordinators' use in recruitment. Outreach: Javier will contact Jenny regarding the matrix details. Membership and Meetings Optimal Size: The governor recommends having 8-12 members as the ideal committee size. Ongoing Engagement: Efforts will continue to engage those previously interested in joining. Meeting Schedule: Meetings are set to occur bimonthly, with calendar invites and a recruitment template to be distributed soon. June Meeting: The last Wednesday of June is proposed for the next meeting, subject to change due to conflicts. Recruitment Timeline Active Recruitment: Intensive recruitment efforts will take place in May, with the process being open 	poll to see

Adjourn Next Meeting June xx, 2:30 PM		
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