

MINUTES
Monday, November 8, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER

The BOCC Management Conference met at the hour of 9:33 with the following members present: Commissioners Stan Sallee, Karen Keith and Ron Peters. Others present: Chief Deputy Mike Craddock, Vicki Adams and Keri Fothergill; Devin Eagen - Communications Manager; Kerrick Edenborough, Parker Sisco and Teresa Tosh - Inspections and Zoning; Mark Liotta - Assessors; Stephen Leonard - County Clerk; Alan Vanderburg and Dan Pease - IT; Gwen Freeman - Election Board; Alandra Edwards and Anthony Taylor - Juvenile; Ronny Walker - Building Ops; Terry Simonson - Governmental Affairs. Chairman Stan Sallee called the meeting to order at 9:33 and the following business was conducted.

II. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Discussion - Update TEDC Proposals - Rose Washington

Rose Washington introduced various projects at this meeting. The first project to discuss was the River West Community Village. The Tulsa Housing Authority was awarded a Choice Neighborhood grant to transform a community. They reached out to TEDC for collaboration on the portion of the project which includes the development of a food desert grocery store. The Choice Neighborhood Investment plan has replaced housing at Riverview Park and Brightwater and will be building in six phases 435 new mixed income apartments. This phase has leveraged additional money to update needed infrastructure. The food dessert grocery store and a wellness center will enhance this area and encourage growth. The project meets all the qualifications for funding. The second point for discussion is about RESET and smaller companies. TEDC is not getting many inquires from existing smaller companies looking for a grant. There are instead, a number of companies needing startup and growth money for a new company. TEDC has never had the opportunity to provide funds for people outside the city limits who want to start and grow a new business. TEDC proposes to shift RESET to serve these companies with a loan. If the County agrees and wants involvement with whom TEDC funds, then they will bring their recommendations to the Commissioners. The last project is the Greenwood Entrepreneurship Incubator, which will be housed in the old Morton Hospital, which is a historic site. TEDC wants to rehabilitate the building and convert it to a space where business owners from across the county can learn how to do a business from the planning at the start to the doors opening by way of exposure to coaches, mentors and technical assistance needed.

B. Discussion - Life's Senior Citizens Presentation - Eileen Bradshaw

Eileen Bradshaw opened the presentation by defining Life Senior Services as an organization which serves adults 50 and older, which is 31% of Tulsa's population. LSS exists to promote independence where people can age actively and stay at home as long as possible. The Roma Berry Center will be a campus that is designed to house three of the LSS programs. The three programs are adult day care for those with dementia or development disabilities, an active senior center and the PACE program, an all-inclusive federally managed care program for the low income elderly that have enough of a health diagnosis that one could be eligible for a Medicaid nursing home. The Pace program has 214 participants, but the new facility will allow services for 400 participants. The adult day health space in the new facility will service 150 and the senior center will have unlimited room. The new facility will provide separate. The new facility will provide the ability to have flex space to create safety with distance if needed, which makes adult day care an economic driver in the community. The active center keeps the elderly out of nursing homes and from being sedentary and at home, thus also being an economic driver. If you can keep people living in their own homes, they will spend more money. The PACE program saves the state millions of dollars as it is by design a nursing home diversion program.

C. Discussion - United Way Presentation - Alison Anthony

Alison Anthony shared how the wheels of the United Way work. There is a board and a volunteer cabinet of leaders that review the recommendations that come from the community investment panels. These 170 people spend 5000 hours reviewing all the details of all the agencies. The 59 non-profit partners supported over 4,500 jobs in the community with an economic impact of over \$315 mil. United Way is good at convening the community around crises, collaborative grant initiatives and innovation grants. The first financial ARPA ask will be to address food insecurity. In Tulsa County alone, 1 in 7 people do not necessarily know where their next meal is coming from and hope Tulsa County collaborates with them to support the Food Insecurity Grant Initiative Program.

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D. Discussion - LaFortune Tennis Presentation - Kirby Crowe

Vince Trinidad is proposing three indoor tennis court options, as well as the trail and croquet court bathrooms. Utilities relocation will be needed. There will be a potential for Vision 2025 funding reallocation availability.

III. **NEW BUSINESS**

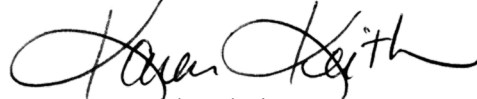
In accordance with the Open Meeting Act, Title 25 O.S. § 311.A.10, new business is defined as any matter not known about or which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of posting the agenda.

There was no new business.

IV. **ADJOURN**

A motion was made by Ron Peters, seconded by Karen Keith to adjourn the meeting. Upon roll call, Yes - Karen Keith, Stan Sallee and Ron Peters. No - None. Abstain - None. Motion carried.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS


Karen Keith, Chairman

Attest:



