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| Present: | **Voting Board Members:**  Craig Volwiler- Finance Sector  Mike Rizzitiello, City of College Place, Chair  Jay Potts, City of Prescott  Elizabeth Chamberlain, City of Walla Walla  Randy Hinchliffe, City of Waitsburg  TJ Espinoza, Realtor  Paul Mitchell, Faith-Based  Cate Daniels, Service Provider  Greg Tompkins, BOCC | VETERANS, VACANT  Renee Rooker, WWHA  Timothy Barrett, Transportation  Norrie Gregoire, Corrections/Safety  Kimberly Powell, Legal  Anne-Marie Zell-Schwerin, DV shelter  Tim Meliah, Youth Services  EDUCATION, VACANT  HOSPITAL, VACANT |
| **Non-Voting Participants:** Elizabeth Guerra, Rachel Elfenbein, Clemintine Benjamin, Catherine Veninga, Terri Silvis, Mitch Nikolds  DCH Staff: Sam Jackle | | |

**Quorum Present –** Yes; 2:02 pm

**Welcome and Introductions**

**Approval of April 28, 2022 Minutes:** Craig moves to approve with corrections, Elizabeth seconds. All in favor.

**Regional Housing Action Plan/County-wide Planning RFP (Elizabeth Chamberlain):** Housing Ad Hoc Committee (subcommittee of Walla Walla City Council) is looking at applying multi-family tax zones more broadly. Looking at adjusting affordability level. 25% affordability minimum will be recommended to city council. Joint meeting took place last Wednesday regarding collaborating on growth management coordination, ongoing discussions are planned to determine how to include the county in those efforts.

**Community Land Trust Update (Rachel Elfenbein)**: Common Roots has been busy. Getting ready to file for nonprofit status. Engaging in strategic planning. Anticipating a small grant for outreach to low-income community residents. Low-income community meetings will begin summer 2022. Requested assistance from COH in getting the word out. Banner Bank will be providing some education to participants that attend these meetings.

**ERAP 2.0 (Liz Guerra)**: Spending has slowed down, but still holding steady. Occasionally come across new landlords, which is helpful to identify them. Unclear of what is contributing to the slow down in spending. Most requests are for 1-2 months of assistance. Continuing to meet equity related goals set by the state around this funding. Commerce Dashboard available[**here**](https://insight-editor.livestories.com/s/v2/washington-state-department-of-commerce-emergency-rental-relief-distribution/ce5d59f3-36fe-4633-8768-759eca2ea077)It does look like rents are increasing by approximately 33%. COH discussed considering state level advocacy around standards for rental increases. Recommendation to look at similar advocacy efforts happening elsewhere. Landlords should be brought to the table.

**County Homeless/Housing RFP (Sam Jackle)**: Discussion around extending existing local contract for 6 months in January 2023 to allow for establishment of new RFP process that aligns with CHG contract cycle. The Dept of Community Health continues to improve overall process.

**Other Business**: None

**Adjournment:** 2:50 p.m.