



City of Redmond Human Services Commission  
Meeting Summary  
Monday, February 10, 2014  
6:30-8:30 pm

**Members Present:** Jason Dick, Steve Daschle, Carolyn Mansfield, Kellen Baker, Lynn Fleshman

**Staff Present:** Brooke Buckingham, Alaric Bien

**Public Comment:** There was no public comment.

**January Meeting Summary:** Approved

**Updates from Commissioners:**

- Steve reported that he filmed a segment for the City's InFocus year in review highlighting human services accomplishments

**Updates from Staff:**

- Pantry Packs are in need of funding for the end of the school year and may be requesting out of cycle support
  - Volunteers distribute 425 packs per week in 25 LWSD schools
  - Hopelink is interested in assisting and may be requesting \$7,000-\$10,000 to carry the program through June
  - Staff will develop the set of questions and information needed for Commission to be able to respond to this request.

**Old Business:**

2015-16 Funding Allocation

This biennium's human services funding request will be coordinated with all the budget offers within the Planning Department. Staff is advising that the Commission continue to develop a funding proposal with rationale for changing the current formula, to be implemented in the next funding cycle. If a request for funds greater than the standard per capita formula were to be made, a strong business case would need to be made, for example showing how increased human services funding would decrease costs to police. This does not preclude the Commission, after going through the allocation process, from making a recommendation to Council, with

contingencies in place if there were more dollars what could be supported (above and beyond budgeted funding level).

Conversation about the highlighting the need for additional dollars in order to be responsive to changing needs; for example, The Landing added capacity this winter using R-trip dollars, but the allocation for 2015-2016 may not allow us to continue to provide this level of support. A first step might be for Jason to talk to the Parks and Human Services Committee about this particular issue.

#### Debrief American Winter

Event went well with good attendance. Decided that the commission does not have the capacity to host another large event this year. Individuals may host individual screenings and we would support with DVD and discussion guide. Staff will follow up with attendees' individual commitments. Commission members can also follow up individually with their invitees.

#### 2014 Work Plan

Reviewed draft work plan. Will meet twice a month in June, July and August to review funding applications. Should start strategic planning efforts in fall, which should include conversations on the rationale for potentially increasing the human services fund. Continue to explore opportunities for community engagement after the funding cycle.

#### **New Business:**

#### Family Fun Night

We will host on March 4. Staff passed around sign up sheet.

#### 2015-16 Funding Supplemental

Remove the strategic plan section of last cycle's supplemental. Replace with language that we want agencies to understand that Redmond is growing and we expect them to grow as well. Our demographics are changing and we need to support an increasingly diverse community. We want to support families and kids, not just focus on schools.

We can still need to continue the conversation about long-term funding for core services.