



## **PUBLIC MEETING**

March 8, 2022  
MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at 9:00 AM in Commission Chambers, Room 330.

### **Roll Call**

Chair Jim McCormick called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

Commissioner Tom Rolfe and Commissioner Andy Hunthausen were present. Others attending all or a portion of the meeting included Roger Baltz, Nicho Hash, Ann McCauley, Drenda Niemann, Betsy Kirkeby, and Nadine McCarty, Recording Secretary.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

Everyone recited the pledge.

### **Consent Action Items**

a. State of Montana Vendor Invoice Motor Vehicle Recycling and Disposal Program. (Kathy Moore)

Roger Baltz, Chief Administrative Officer, reported on consent action item 2a and recommended approval.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Hunthausen and seconded by Commissioner Rolfe. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

### **Grant Award to Lewis and Clark County from U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. (Kathy Moore)**

Commissioner McCormick, stated Kathy Moore cannot be here today and asked that the item be moved to March 15, 2022.

No public comment was received.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hunthausen to postpone action on the item to March 15, 2022 and seconded by Commissioner Rolfe. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

### **Sub-recipient Agreement Between Lewis and Clark Public Health and the Caring Foundation. (Drenda Niemann)**

Drenda Niemann, Public Health Officer, presented the sub-recipient agreement with Blue Cross Blue Shield Caring Foundation for COVID-19 vaccine support in the amount of \$100,000. The agreement was funded in October of 2021 through the amendment to the immunizations contract with the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services to fund COVID-19 vaccination efforts in the amount of \$645,152. This is the third of the three subrecipient agreements. The Caring Foundation will participate in mass vaccination clinics; host targeted pop-up vaccine clinics for large employees, community events, rural communities, vulnerable and disadvantage populations, etc.; and offer vaccine availability outside normal business hours. The agreement expires December 31, 2022. Staff recommends approval of the sub-recipient agreement with the Caring Foundation.

Ms. Niemann explained the federal ARPA funds distribution process and that the other two sub-recipient agreements were with PureView Health Center and St. Peter's Health.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Rolfe and seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

**Grant Award to Lewis and Clark County from the Montana Department of Commerce. (Ann McCauley)**

Ann McCauley, Grants and Purchasing Director, presented the grant award from the Montana Department of Commerce, Community Development Block Grant - Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) Program in the amount of \$1,250,000. Florence Crittenton will provide matching funds in the amount of \$1,850,000. Funds will be used by Florence Crittenton Home and Services for the acquisition of the Cooney property located at 3404 Cooney Drive. This is an acquisition only project. This is CARES funding so the grant period coincides with the first date of CARES funding, January 21, 2020 through December 31, 2023. Staff recommends acceptance of the grant award from the Montana Department of Commerce.

Carrie Krepps, Florence Crittenton Home and Services Executive Director, gave a brief update on the project. Their private fundraising is going well. Since October, 2021 there has been a 15% increase in number of need with a growing wait list. She thanked the Commission for the partnership and recognized the incredible level of partnership between public and private throughout the community.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Hunthausen and seconded by Commissioner Rolfe. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

**Sub-recipient Agreement Between Lewis and Clark County and Florence Crittenton Home and Services. (Ann McCauley)**

Ann McCauley, Grants and Purchasing Director, presented the sub-recipient agreement with Florence Crittenton Home and Services for the administration and implementation of a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). Awarded to Lewis and Clark County from the Montana Department of Commerce in the amount of \$1,250,000, with Florence Crittenton providing the match of \$1,850,000. The sub-recipient agreement period is January 21, 2020 through December 31, 2023. Staff recommends approval of the sub-recipient agreement with Florence Crittenton Home and Services.

No public comment was received.

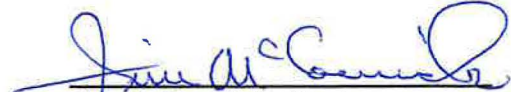
A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Rolfe and seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

**Public comment on any public matter within the jurisdiction of the Commission that is not on the agenda above.**

**Adjourn**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:29 am.

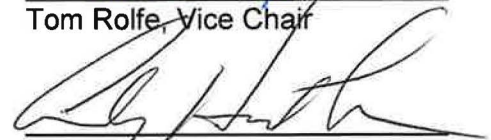
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Jim McCormick, Chair



Tom Rolfe, Vice Chair



Andy Hunthausen, Member

ATTEST:



Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Board