

## Draft General Meeting Minutes

May 14, 2024

### JWN General Meeting

"This meeting is intended to be a place for the respectful and civil exchange of ideas and information. We ask all in attendance to honor this ethic by keeping questions and comments civil, concise and without commentary of a personal nature. In practice, this means addressing the topic, not the presenter or the organization, and being courteous to our guests."

This meeting is being recorded and will be posted online.

#### Draft Agenda (6:30-8:30)

6:30-7:00 Introductions, Announcements, Comments, New Business

- Community announcements
  - Charnel Mulligan Park work party on June 8<sup>th</sup>
  - New business at 8<sup>th</sup> and Monrow, Abelites diner and café
  - JWN is not a NIMBYism
- Candidates present
  - Doyal Canning, Oregon House
  - Ethan Clevenger, Ward 1 city Council
  - Ted Coopman, Ward 1 city Council

7:00-7:30: Matt Salazar, Homes for Good: Ollie Court Update and Early Learning Center Naming

- Close to breaking ground, Funding is getting close, been through many designs. Presented an updated of the current designs.
- Making sure the campers have a safe place to go.
- City will transfer ownership the day before breaking ground... goal mid June.
  - How will you get some of the staffing challenges that are facing the Key Stone?
    - Ollie Court will be servicing a lower needs populations, and offers a manager unit, unlike the Key Stone. The Key Stone is unique because its such a small facility that cannot have a managers residence, and its permeant supportive housing
  - Will there be noise mitigation for Ollie court?
    - Yes. Because of modern construction materials and techniques.
  - What can we do to enhance the vegetation to further reduce noise? Can we add vegetation?

- One of the challenges with vegetation especially on 13<sup>th</sup> is clear visibility because of camping.
  - Are there any mixed use spaces in the building? Community meeting space?
    - Yes. 1 community meeting room in each building for residents and resident programming. In addition there is the early learning facilities what is available for any residents that qualify.
  - What about lighting? Not shining up?
    - This is a consideration. And the plan it to have all sight lighting pointed down or capped.
  - What are the construction material routes?
    - We have a lot of routes, Chambers, Polk, and 13<sup>th</sup>. Also collaborating with the faith center so they don't disrupt their operations. We are aware of the potential impacts and are working to mitigate.
  - Is there any work to make Chambers pedestrian and cycling experience better? And What about the aesthetic of the building .
    - Our site does not have any direct contact with Chambers, the Army site is still owned by the Army. The looks of the building will be similar but different, siding will be the same, because of budget constraints. The architects have been working hard to make the facades attractive.
  - This development give leverage with the city to persuade them to make improvements in the neighborhood.
- 1.7 parking spaces per unit, which has been a good ratio. And the plan is to provide all the parking needed for residents so as not to impact the neighborhood.
- Pick up and drop off will happen at the Eugene faith center for the earning center, and there is an existing agreement.

~~7:30-8:00: Mindy Bell, Director of the School Garden Project~~

7:30-8:00: Eva Williams Colleen Smith, Trina Red Crow, Johnathan Willamette Family Medical – moving into the old Salvation Army Building at 640 West 7<sup>th</sup>.

- 195 W 12<sup>th</sup> Ave the rapid access ctr.
- Our clients and patients are very low income, and have a lot of trauma, and no medical care, and are poly substance dependent, they are uninsured. Most patients don't have families either., some have children.
- We endeavor to provide welcome and safe space. We're constantly asking our clients what we can do to improve and we get good feedback.
- We offer the long term treatment, from withdrawal which needs to be medically supervised, then from there it's recommended that they go to residential treatment, from there day treatment with supportive housing, then to an outpatient system. The whole process will take about 2 years.
- We provide a facility for women and their children as they make this journey.
- 3 location in town. With 2 outpatient facilities
- Bought a new location 1050 High street, will be moving in in July.
- Bought a new building due to grants from the governor. 640 W7th this will be a 55 short term facility and 35 will be in detox. The other program will have 20 beds that will address comorbidities physical and mental. This will be a secure facility. This facility will have a sobering service (5 beds) aka drunk tank. Mostly used by Cahoots / White bird, police and ambulance drop offs
  - Have you given thought to purchasing the single family house right across the street.
    - I had no idea there was a place for sale near by.
  - Can you talk about landscaping?
    - We haven't gotten that far in our planning. We have struggled with 195 W 12<sup>th</sup> with daily issues around maintaining the grounds. We also have great great landscaped facilities that are quite nice.
- Because these patients are inside for days, and there are no visitors, traffic will be light, though there are emergency services coming and going.
- You may have noticed that there is not a lot happening outside of our facilities, because residents are contained.
- 70% of patients choose to go into the long term facilities.
- We are the 1st in the state to offer intensive medical care with withdrawal and long term programs.
  - What do you do with the money that you receive. Do you help with direct care?
    - With the \$4mill that we got from the governor, is for refurbishing our facilities, to make them safer, and pay our staff. We bill through medical billing, and money goes towards direct care, for detox and stays.
    - I think there are some admin changes in the governor's office, and that's why we're getting money. It seems like the staff is improving.
- We're seeing an increase in the severity of it's way higher, way more acute
- OR is one of the worst states in the nation for drug car, it's been one of the most underfunded behavioral health system in OR is.

- More money is being invested, but it will take time to build that infrastructure.
  - Do you serve Youth? And if not is there another org?
    - Looking glass is the primary youth services, we do not have youth programs. They have an amazing youth shelter 16-25, allows animals too.
  - What happened with Measure 110?
    - OR focused on harm reduction which lead to a high overdose rate, and since the infrastructure wasn't in place in a holistic sense we see that people often come in 7 time for the program. 80% completion rate, but this does not usually translate into long term behavior change.
  - Your presence in the old salvation army building is going to be really helpful for that alley way.
    - Yes, and security comes by 6 times a night. They will get out of the car and walk around the facility. Hopefully the unpleasant activity doesn't just move over one block?
  - The Library seems like a congregation for people who would benefit from your program, do you community with them?
    - Yes. We have an active relationship with them.
- We're excited be in the JWN.

8:15 adjourn.