ADVISORY BOARD

Thursday, July 16, 2026, | 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Meeting Minutes

Summary of Attendance

Attended meeting via Zoom:

- Board Members:
  - Brian Berry
  - Peter Lewis
  - Preston Anderson
  - Alex O'Reilly
  - Gazel Tan
  - Lori Guilfoyle
  - Heidi Shepherd
  - Julia Colson
- Staff:
  - Marjan Didra
  - Michael Bailey
  - Jenna Franklin
  - Taylor Gaston
- Guests:
  - NA

Attended meeting on-site:

- Board Members:
  - NA
- Staff:
  - Shayna Pepin
  - Chideya Wilson
  - Traci Adair
- Guests:
  - NA

Welcome and Icebreaker

- ACTIVATE values

Meeting Summary

- Consent agenda approved
- Subcommittees provided updates on Veterans, Resilient Communities, and Seniors strategy work.

- Presentations delivered on KCRHA transition, Senior Villages strategy, and 2027 ASD legislative priority processes

Approval of Consent Agenda

- Motion to Approve: Pete
- Seconded
- Vote: Approved
- Abstention: Lori

Public Comment

- No public comment recorded

Subcommittee Report Outs

- Veterans:
  - Received presentation from KCVRP.
  - Requested metrics regarding veteran populations across facilities.
  - Suggested presenting to the Board of Directors.
- RC:
  - Reviewed legislative priorities schedule.
  - Internal review of senior population report underway; Board expressed interest in a future presentation.
- Seniors:
  - Continuing work on strategy areas: kinship care, senior villages, senior centers.
  - Site visits to senior centers ongoing.
  - Discussing levy funding needs related to senior centers.
  - Exploring crosswalk of county-funded senior initiatives.
  - Action: Michael to convene a scoping meeting with the committee; follow-up conversations planned with Mary Pearson and Board leadership.

July Presentation: KCRHA Transition Overview (Erica Azcueta & Kate Speltz)

- KCRHA will continue operating; transition of contracts to DCHS/HCD planned.
- HCD will assume management of approx. 100 contracts; staffing underway.
- Contract transition expected January 1.
- Details to be delivered to councils on August 1.

July Presentation: HS5 Senior Villages Strategy (Traci Adair)

- Overview of Senior Villages strategy supporting seniors in their communities.
- Pilot work underway with culturally connected organizations.
- Technical assistance requests received from external jurisdictions.

July Presentation: 2027 ASD Legislative Priorities (Marjan Didra)

- Shared legislative issue areas and cross-population themes identified during early internal planning, including housing stability, workforce shortages, healthcare access, legal assistance, food security, service capacity, and transportation.
- Highlighted examples of legislative issue areas affecting Veterans, Seniors, and Resilient Communities to illustrate how these topics intersect with ASD's work.
- Board members were invited to share observations and perspectives on community needs to help inform future discussions as the County's legislative planning process continues. No legislative priorities or policy positions were presented for Board review or approval.

Meeting adjourned at 12:38pm

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Minutes taken by <<Shayna Pepin, staff>>