



## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** May 15, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Update on Veterans Village from Central Oregon Veterans Outreach and Bend Heroes Foundation

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

Consider request to approve the addition of seven new cabins at Veterans Village, and consider the request for \$150,000 in funding towards construction costs.

**BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

On March 17, 2021, the Board of County Commissioners executed a Memorandum of Understanding to memorialize the roles and responsibilities between the County, Bend Heroes Foundation (BHF) and Central Oregon Veterans Outreach (COVO) for the project development and ongoing operations of Veterans Village. Additionally, a ground lease between the County and COVO was also executed to memorialize the use of approximately 1.25 acres at the Public Safety Campus for Veterans Village. Veterans Village officially opened on "Veterans Day", Thursday, November 11, 2021.

JW Terry and David Nieradka with COVO, and Erik Tobiason with Bend Heroes Foundation will present a project and operational update for Veterans Village, and request approval for the addition of seven new cabins and \$150,000 in funding towards construction.

**BUDGET IMPACTS:**

\$150,000 in funding towards the construction of seven new cabins at Veterans Village.

**ATTENDANCE:**

Kristie Bollinger, Property Manager  
JW Terry and David Nieradka of COVO  
Erik Tobiason of Bend Heroes Foundation