



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, March 2, 2022

SUBJECT: Consideration of Board Signature of a System Development Charges Exemption Agreement with the City of Bend.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Consideration of Board Signature of Document Number 2022-218, System Development Charges Exemption Agreement with the City of Bend.

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Deschutes County owns a 7.79-acre parcel located at 20355 Poe Sholes Drive, Bend, known as Map and Tax Lot 171217D000609. This property is part of the Public Safety Campus and is where the 911/Oregon State Police building is located.

In 2020, the State of Oregon passed House Bill 4212, which provided for local government to approve an application for the development or use of land in city limits for an emergency shelter. At that time, your Board approved the use of +/- 1.25-acres of unimproved property on TL 00609 for the development of a pilot project known as Veterans Village.

The purpose Veterans Village was to make available fifteen (15) temporary housing units available to homeless veterans and a modular support building to provide essential services including but not limited to meals, showers, toilet and laundry facilities, community meeting and activity space, as well as case management and wraparound services on an as needed basis. The program goal is to place veterans

in permanent housing or permanent supporting housing within two (2) years of entering the program.

In March 2021, your Board executed a Memorandum of Understanding with Bend Heroes Foundation and Central Oregon Veterans Outreach (COVO) to memorize the development, operations, commitments and obligations of each party for Veterans Village. At that same time, your Board executed a 10-year Ground Lease with COVO for the use of the +/- 1.25-acres for said purpose. The official grand opening for Veterans Village was celebrated on November 11, 2021, Veteran's Day.

During the land use application process with the City of Bend (City), the City waived \$130,597.40 in system development charges (SDCs) that would normally be under the City's development code. The City has requested COVO to enter into a System Development Charges Exemption Agreement with the City to 1) memorialize the SDC waiver, and 2) to record the document on the property title. Since the Veterans Village project is located on County-owned property, the County is a party to this Agreement for acknowledgement purposes and to permit the City to record this document.

BUDGET IMPACTS:

None.

ATTENDANCE:

Kristie Bollinger, Property Manager