

Housing and infrastructure

August 16, 2022

9:28 a.m.

Present: Commissioner Pollock, Commissioner Swope, Commissioner Grose, Eric Eisenberg, Meja Handlen, Nic Scott, County Manager Erik Martin, Becky Butler, Lara McRea

Guest(s): An unidentified guest online

Recorder: Rieva Lester

Public comment: None.

Eric Eisenberg discussed a housing project planned for Reynolds Road in the Centralia UGA. He said the plan is to provide housing in a three-prong split: a section for families at 80 percent of the area median income (AMI), a section for families at 115 percent of the AMI and a section of homes at market rate.

Eric discussed funding that Reliable Enterprises would seek. He said he is suggesting that the county provide a commitment to back-stop funding for the middle-income section of housing to help Reliable secure the funding it needs.

Eric said he is requesting that the county commit, via letter, to fully fund the first 80 percent-AMI phase of the Reynolds Road middle-income workforce housing project on the condition that Reliable Enterprises seek out all available alternative sources of funding and that the county's funding would be a loan on terms comparable to private financing, plus an additional 1 percent additional annual interest. The commissioners said they would revisit the topic the following week to ensure the decision is made before the Aug. 26 deadline.

Meeting adjourned at 9:51 a.m.

