

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
CONFERENCE ROOM
SPECIAL MEETING**

MONDAY

2:30 P.M.

JULY 6, 2026

Board members present: Chairman Cory Wright; Vice-Chairman Brett Wachsmith; Commissioner Laura Osiadacz.

Homelessness & Affordable Housing Committee Members: Nancy Goodloe; Michael Karraker; Skylar Bisom-Rapp; Matthew Stalder; Joan Neelund; and Janine Brodine.

Others; Jodi Larsen, Office Administrator; Andrew Lyons, Hopesource Senior Manager; Hopesource Associate Director of Affordable Housing, Alec Helzer; and nine members of the public.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: NONE

HAHC JOINT MEETING WITH BOCC

At 2:30 p.m. Commissioner Wachsmith opened a Special Meeting with members from the Homelessness and Affordable Housing Committee (HAHC).

Hopesource Senior Manager Andrew Lyons, presented a recap of the 2025-2026 Cold Weather Shelter season. Mr. Lyons highlighted the overall success of the program, the positive impact of community partnerships, volunteer support, and the benefits of operating from a centralized location. The presentation also included an overview of the program's financial performance and noted that community donations helped offset operational costs.

Mr. Lyons also shared lessons learned from the season, emphasizing the importance of early planning, preparing for staffing and volunteer needs, and maintaining consistent operating procedures to support continued program success in future shelter seasons.

Hopesource Associate Director of Affordable Housing, Alec Helzer provided an update on the Pathways Place affordable housing development, including an overview of the project, funding, construction progress, and anticipated timeline. The development will provide affordable housing for low-income households, including permanent supportive housing and veteran-designated units, along with shared community amenities and on-site resident services. The project is being funded through a combination of federal, state, and local funding sources, including contributions from Kittitas County and the City of Ellensburg.

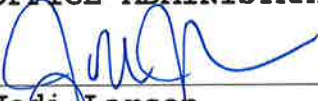
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Mr. Helzer reported that construction is progressing as planned, with work underway on both the renovation of the existing motel and the new residential and community buildings. An updated project timeline was presented, with construction expected to continue through 2027 and the development is anticipated to be placed into service in the fall of 2027.

The meeting concluded at 3:32 p.m.

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR



Jodi Larsen

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Cory Wright, Chairman