



Homeless Services Department
 Community Budget Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
 April 15, 2026
 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

[These minutes are subject to adjustment and approval by the CBAC]

Attendance:

Committee Members: Katrina Malachowski, Nicki Dardinger, Amanda Garren, Lisa Drennan,
 [online:] Elizabeth Gillingham, William Hodson, Anisa Ali
HSD & County Staff: Bill Boyd, Antoinette Payne, Malka Geffen

Agenda Item	Discussion Points	
Welcome	Brief welcomes and introductions	
Approve the 4/8/2026 CBAC Meeting Minutes	Committee approved the 4/8/26 meeting minutes using Fist to 5 consensus decision making tool: Katrina Malachowski - 5, Nicki Dardinger - 5, William Hodson - 5, Amanda Garren - 5, Elizabeth Gillingham - 5, Lisa Drennan - 5	
Ongoing development of CBAC recommendations and presentation	Continue discussion on expanded CBAC recommendations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Concerns were raised about Home Forward and the affordable housing system <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CBAC can include this when elaborate on a demand for transparency and accountability with housing providers ○ HSD staff suggested looking at issues like Income qualification for programs in the off season ● CBAC members reviewed and discussed individual input to the shared Google document being used to draft their additional recommendations letter ● CBAC member asked HSD staff: Based on the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA), should the City be giving some money to the County? A: The City is keeping their \$31M to fund their own shelters. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Can include in letter that County does shelter better, and CBAC could demand the City give the money 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● CBAC added content to and edited within the shared Google doc ● Can make commissioners aware of the Impacts of the cuts to shelters, including staff reductions and the effect that has on the people they serve ● Can offer ways we want to "break/reinvent" the system- ie. Ask for acknowledgement that the current calendar makes input difficult and ideas for making the whole structure more stable ● Added section about communication, and people using services are the last to know ● Added use of one-time only funds to the Budget section ● Q: Can presenters say things that are not in the letter? A: yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Can strategize about what is said during the presentation, since there may not be enough time to read entire letter ● Re: statement in beginning of letter, HSD staff pointed out that CBAC doesn't know whether electeds have lived experience ● Add something about who CBAC members are ● Q: Do we have access to the joint city-county worksession slide about responsibilities A: HSD staff will locate 	https://efiles.portlandoregon.gov/recordhtml/17777672/ (slide 4)
Next Steps	<p>CBAC members with capacity to flesh out letter for wordsmithing (on "letter draft" tab) on Sunday; will finalize at next meeting</p> <p>Next CBAC meeting is on April 22nd</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Can ask HSD staff questions about County Chair's budget 	