Aging & Disability Resources: Draft 2020-2023 Area Plan

Pierce County Human Services

Public Hearing
Tuesday, Sept. 17, 2019
10:00 to 11:00 am
Pierce County Sound View Bldg – SV1

Attendance
- ADR Advisory Board members = 9
- Community members / guests = 7
- HS/ADR staff = 6

Meeting Summary
Terri Baker, ADR Advisory Board’s Planning & Allocations Committee Chair opened the public hearing for presentation of the draft 2020-2023 Area Plan, followed by the opportunity for discussion, questions and public comment / testimony. ADR Social Service Supervisor Connie Kline presented a summary of the draft Area Plan, including proposed 2020 budget. The following questions were addressed:

Questions
- On page 5 of the Area Plan addressing Prioritization of Discretionary Funds, it is noted that Senior Centers do not receive discretionary funds, so are therefore not prioritized. However, the budget chart on page 42 shows that $500,000 is allocated for Senior Centers. Can you please clarify?
  ➢ The $500,000 allocated for Senior Centers comes from the Pierce County General Fund, specifically designated for senior center operations, so is therefore not discretionary.

Comments / Discussion
- Julian Wheeler, Chair of the Pierce County Accessible Communities Advisory Committee (ACAC) shared about the role of the ACAC and the availability of funds for accessibility projects within the County. He invited interested individuals and organizations to attend the next meeting of the ACAC on Nov. 12th, 9:00-11:00 a.m. in the Soundview building.

There were no further comments, discussion or testimony by public hearing participants.

Written Comments
Written comments on the draft Area Plan were accepted from the date of publication on Sept. 3, 2019 through the conclusion of the public hearing held on Sept. 17, 2019. No written comments were received prior to or up through the public hearing. One written comment was received following the public hearing:

- Re: photo choice on page 14 - "Need a photo that is less white, showing more ethnicities and people with assistive devices."