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Agenda Item for February 2, 2021 Commission Meeting

Review of Financial and Other Requirements for Organizations Seeking Bellevue Funding

Background

Bellevue Human Services Commissioners have requested that staff review the financial and other requirements for organizations seeking funding from the City's Human Services General Fund. The intent is to clarify the requirements and decrease barriers for applying for funding for organizations that serve underrepresented populations in Bellevue such as BIPOC, people with disabilities, older adults and LGBTQAI. These barriers include financial requirements, insurance, and organizational capacity.

At this meeting, Assistant Director Toni Esparza and Human Services staff will provide a summary of their findings and their recommendations to the Commission. Staff will then lead a discussion with Commissioners to get their input and direction on how to move forward to implement requirements that will be clear and better meet the needs of small, emerging organizations while at the same time provide good stewardship of City funds.