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Mason County District Two

Thurston-Mason Behavioral Health Administrative Service Organization (TMBH-ASO)/Olympic Health & Recovery Services (OHRS) Governing Board Meeting Minutes for September 19, 2025

Agenda Setting Meeting

In Attendance:

Commissioners Carolina Mejia, Rachel Grant, and Pat Tarzwell; Joe Avalos, TMBH-ASO/OHRS Executive Director; Sherri Nehl, Administrative Services Director; Tara Smith, Finance Director; Erica Dennehy, Clinical Director; Amy Martin, Contracts and Compliance Director; and Traci Gurley, Clerk of the Board.

1) Call Meeting to Order

- i. Commissioner Mejia called the agenda setting meeting to order at 2:40 p.m.
- ii. Agenda Items:
 - a. The governing board reviewed consent items 3a-3m as presented.

Agenda setting meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

Governing Board Meeting

In Attendance:

Commissioners Carolina Mejia, Rachel Grant, and Pat Tarzwell; Joe Avalos, TMBH-ASO/OHRS Executive Director; Sherri Nehl, Administrative Services Director; Tara Smith, Finance Director; Erica Dennehy, Clinical Director; Amy Martin, Contracts and Compliance Director; and Traci Gurley, Clerk of the Board.

1) Call Meeting to Order

Commissioner Mejia called the Governing Board meeting to order at 3:10 p.m.

2) Approval of Agenda

- i. Commissioner Tarzwell moved to approve September 19, 2025, agenda. Commissioner Mejia second the motion. The motion carried.
- ii. Commissioner Tarzwell moved to approve August 1, 2025, board meeting minutes. Commissioner Grant second the motion. The motion carried.

There was no public comment at this meeting.

3) Consent Items

i. Commissioner Tarzwell moved to approve consent items 3a through 3m. Commissioner Grant second the motion. The motion carried.

TMBHO, LLC	
a) Description:	Thurston Mason Behavioral Health Organization, LLC Voucher Lists for July and August 2025
Action:	Move to approve the Thurston Mason Behavioral Health Organization, LLC voucher list for the months of July 2025 in the amount of \$98,660.90 and August 2025 in the amount of \$14,626.27.
b) Description:	2025 -2026 Liability Insurance Renewal
Action:	Move to approve binding and coverage of Professional and General Liability, Excess Liability, Cyber, Crime, Property and Auto, DIC, and Public Officials and Employment Practices liability insurance in the amount of \$419,968.89, with an effective date of September 1, 2025 through September 1, 2026, and to authorize the TMBHO Executive Director to execute that agreement and future agreements that do not change the amount by more than 15%.
c) Description:	Fleet Vehicle Lease Buyouts
Action:	Move to approve the purchase option of Toyota Financial Services lease agreements for account numbers U221, U219, U218, U231 and V358 for a total estimated cost of \$83,530.36 and authorize the Executive Director to execute purchase agreements that do not change the purchase amount by more than 15%.

Thurston Mason Behavioral Health - ASO	
d) Description:	Thurston Mason BH-ASO Voucher Lists for July 2025 and August 2025
Action:	Move to approve the Thurston Mason Behavioral Health Administrative Service Organization (TMBH-ASO) voucher list for the months of July 2025 in the amount of \$859,190.07 and August 2025 in the amount of \$895,935.10.
e) Description:	Department of Commerce Community Behavioral Rental Assistance (CBRA) Contract: 26-46409-007
Action:	Move to approve the CBRA Contract between TMBH-ASO and the Department of Commerce in the amount of \$415,540.79 from July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, for the purpose of continuing to provide non-time limited rental subsidy funding for participants with behavioral health conditions; and authorize the TMBH-ASO Governing Board Chair to execute the contract and any future amendments that do not change the amount by more than 15%.
f) Description:	Health Care Authority (HCA) Contract K6919 Amendment 05 – Housing and Recovery through Peer Supports (HARPS)

Action:	Move to approve the Contract Amendment K6919-05 between TMBH-ASO and the HCA in the amount of \$2,122,140 from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, for the purpose of continuing to provide permanent supportive housing services to individuals exiting or at risk of entering an inpatient behavioral healthcare setting under Housing and Recovery through Peer Supports (HARPS); and authorize the TMBH-ASO Governing Board Chair to execute the contract and any future amendments that do not change the amount by more than 15%.
g) Description:	Interlocal Agreement with Thurston County for Involuntary Treatment Court Services (ITA)
Action:	Move to approve the Interlocal Agreement between Thurston County and TMBH-ASO for an estimated total not to exceed \$1,350,000 for CY2025, for judicial services related to individuals involuntarily detained due to their mental disorder under RCW Chapters 71.05 and 71.24; and authorize the TMBH-ASO Executive Director to execute the Interlocal Agreement and any future amendments that do not change the amount by more than 15%.
h) Description:	Appointment to the TMBH-ASO Advisory Board
Action:	Move to approve the appointment of Tari Quiocho to the Thurston Mason Behavioral Health Administrative Service Organization (TMBH_ASO) Advisory Board for a three-year term from October 2025 to October 2028.

Olympic Health & Recovery Services (OHRS)		
i) Description:	Olympic Health and Recovery Services Voucher List for July 2025 and August 2025	
Action:	Move to approve the Olympic Health and Recovery Services (OHRS) voucher list for the months of July 2025 in the amount of \$236,042.44 and August 2025 in the amount of \$338,800.83.	
j) Description:	City of Tumwater Community Based Crisis Team (CBCT) Contract	
Action:	Move to execute the Service Provider Agreement between Olympic Health and Recovery Services and the City of Tumwater from October 1, 2025, through September 30, 2027, for the purpose of providing 8.0 FTE Community Based Crisis Team embedded with the Tumwater Fire Department.	
k) Description:	Mason County Sheriff Co-Response Team Agreement	
Action:	Move to execute the Agreement, pending final agreement, between OHRS and the Mason County Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$377,904.15 effective July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2027; and authorize the OHRS Executive Director to execute the agreement and any future amendments that do not change the amount by 15%.	
I) Description:	Resolution 25-08 Reclassification of Crisis Supervisor Position	
Action:	Move to approve Resolution 25-08 reclassifying one (1) Crisis Services Clinician Lead position to one (1) Crisis Services Supervisor I position, and amending the pay and classification plan, effective September 19, 2025.	

m) Description:	Resolution 25-09 Establishing a New Hospital Diversion Program Supervisor Position
Action:	Move to approve Resolution 25-09 establishing one (1) new Hospital Diversion Program Supervisor 1 position, and amending the pay and classification plan, effective September 19, 2025.

4) Updates

Quality and Compliance

2025 TEAMonitor - An annual audit conducted by the Health Care Authority of our policies, documents, case management, and charts to ensure compliance with our contracts. We received a perfect score with no concerns or follow-up. We are extremely proud of this accomplishment. A special acknowledgment to Contracts & Compliance Director Amy Martin for leading this laborious project.

NACO Behavioral Health Peer Exchange

Executive Director Avalos attended a National Association of Cities (NACO) Peer Exchange on Behavioral Health in Richmond, Virginia on September 11-12, 2025. Representatives from around the US were in attendance and provided tours and information on the behavioral health programs in Henrico County. They have a state income tax that contributes \$20 million of general funding to mental health. While they are doing similar programs, it solidified that Washington is at the forefront in our response to behavioral health. Our co-response model continues to be a flagship for us.

Trueblood Crisis Stabilization Facility

Executive Director Avalos and Commissioners toured the Connections facility in Kirkland last week. The issue continues to be the need for operational funding. HCA requested legislation for \$38 million to build seven new Crisis & Stabilization facilities around the state but did not include anything to support the already approved facility here in Thurston/Mason. We will be reaching out to HCA to determine why.

November Board Meeting

The November 20, 2025 regular Board meeting will be cancelled as Commissioners will be attending the WSAC Conference. The 2026 Budget will be presented at the December meeting and adopted in January 2026.

5) Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 3:39 p.m.

Thurston and Mason County, Washington

ATTEST:

Carolina Mejia, Commissioner

Traci Gurley, Clerk of the Board

Date: 10/16/35

Pat Tarzwell, Commissioner