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City Council Meeting

Item 5: Proposed Cost Sharing Agreement to Fund Countywide Isolation & Quarantine Support Program

November 10, 2020

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City of Santa Clara
The Center of What's Possible

Background

- Shelter in Place Order - March 16, 2020
- County launches Isolation and Quarantine Support Program (IQSP) to serve all residents in the County as part of pandemic response
 - Motel rooms
 - Financial and rental assistance up to 5K
 - Support services
- County Board of Supervisors approves cost sharing agreement assuming participation of all 14 cities
- County sets deadline of 9/7 for cities to opt in or terminate IQSP services

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County Proposal

- Cities to pay pro-rata share of fix costs for program administration based on population plus variable costs based on utilization for period August through December, 2020

Fixed Costs	Motel Costs	At-Home Support	Financial Assistance	Santa Clara Total
\$37,659	\$68,318	\$71,744	\$175,000	\$352,721

- Proposal subject of discussions at several City Manager Association meetings
- Milpitas, Morgan Hill and Saratoga only cities to opt in
- County halted services to Santa Clara residents in September

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Policy Options

- Accept County proposal
- Amend County Proposal to Align with City priorities/resources
- Direct staff to take no action, resulting in opting out of IQSP

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Assessment of County Proposal

- **Pros**

- Leverages County's expertise in assessing medical need and case management
- Ensures shelter for Santa Clara residents to minimize public health risk

- **Cons**

- Developed without input from cities; expense not budgeted
- City should not pay for services normally provided by the County
- Fails to recognize the City's significant investment in COVID relief programs
- Projected cost sharing not reflective of actual need

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Staff Recommendation

- Authorize City Manager to negotiate and execute an amended agreement in an amount not to exceed \$50,500 that would support City's share of fixed costs plus cost of motel rooms for up to 12 low-income Santa Clara residents

Fixed Costs	Motel Costs	Santa Clara Total
\$37,659	\$12,841	\$50,500

- City to seek two-month pro-rata share of fixed costs
- City's emergency rental assistance program to be used to support costs of limited IQSP. There is sufficient funding for both the modified IQSP and rental assistance for eligible participants

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