



Agenda Report

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Agenda Date: 6/25/2019

REPORT TO COUNCIL

SUBJECT

Action on the Second Amendment to the Revenue Agreement with the County of Santa Clara for the Santa Clara Intensive Case Management and Homeless Prevention program to extend the Agreement by 1 year and \$175,000

BACKGROUND

On June 15, 2015, the City Council approved a two-year Revenue Agreement in the amount of \$110,000 per fiscal year (\$220,000 over two years) with the County of Santa Clara to provide case management services to chronically homeless individuals in the City of Santa Clara through the Care Coordination Project (CCP). The CCP operates under the leadership of the County's Office of Supportive Housing, which partners with public and private agencies in coordinating care of the county's most vulnerable, long-term homeless residents.

Through the Revenue Agreement, the County provides housing and case management on an ongoing basis for 20 homeless and chronically homeless individuals that are referred to the County by the City of Santa Clara Police Department's (SCPD) Nuisance Suppression Unit. The SCPD Nuisance Suppression Unit maintains a list of homeless and chronically homeless people considered to be the City's most vulnerable to incidences of both personal and public safety and makes referrals to the County based on this list. The City funds case management services, while the County provides housing subsidies to these 20 individuals at no additional cost to the City of Santa Clara. The housing subsidies are "permanent" (e.g., provide "Permanent Supportive Housing") as they do not expire unless a participant no longer meets the program eligibility qualifications. Based upon current usage in similar County programs, the estimate of housing subsidy per year for 20 housing units is approximately \$470,000.

DISCUSSION

Approval of the Second Amendment to the Revenue Agreement with the County of Santa Clara would extend the City's participation in the Care Coordination Project for an additional year, effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, and increase funding by an amount not to exceed \$125,000 per fiscal year to cover the costs of case management over the term of the extension. The extension would be funded primarily through the City's Housing Successor Fund consistent with the funding for the original Revenue Agreement.

To further the goal of ending homelessness in Santa Clara, the proposed Second Amendment to the Revenue Agreement would continue at the same level the City's support for homelessness prevention through a funding allocation for the County's Homeless Prevention Program (HPP) of \$50,000, funded by the City's Affordable Housing Fund. This program is a countywide initiative to provide eligible households with emergency assistance such as rent, security deposits, food, work related transportation, medical assistance and utilities assistance to prevent homelessness. Eligible

households would need to have sufficient household income to maintain housing after receiving emergency assistance.

The County estimates that Santa Clara's contribution to HPP would provide emergency financial assistance to at least 20 households.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The action being considered does not constitute a "project" within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(5) in that it is a governmental organizational or administrative activity that will not result in direct or indirect changes in the environment.

FISCAL IMPACT

The agreement provides \$125,000 per fiscal year for the CPP intensive case manager, and \$50,000 for HPP; a total cost of \$175,000 over one year. Funding for the agreement is included as part of the Proposed FY 2019/20 Operating Budget in the City's Housing Successor and the City's Affordable Housing Funds.

COORDINATION

This report has been coordinated with the Finance Department and the City Attorney's Office.

PUBLIC CONTACT

Public contact was made by posting the Council agenda on the City's official-notice bulletin board outside City Hall Council Chambers. A complete agenda packet is available on the City's website and in the City Clerk's Office at least 72 hours prior to a Regular Meeting and 24 hours prior to a Special Meeting. A hard copy of any agenda report may be requested by contacting the City Clerk's Office at (408) 615-2220, email clerk@santaclaraca.gov <<mailto:clerk@santaclaraca.gov>> or at the public information desk at any City of Santa Clara public library.

RECOMMENDATION

Approve and authorize the City Manager to execute a Second Amendment to the Revenue Agreement with the County of Santa Clara for the Santa Clara Intensive Case Management and Homeless Prevention program to extend the Agreement by 1 year and \$175,000.

Reviewed by: Andrew Crabtree, Director of Community Development

Approved by: Deanna J. Santana, City Manager

ATTACHMENTS

1. Second Amendment to Revenue Agreement SCC
2. First Amendment to the Revenue Agreement
3. Original Revenue Agreement