



AGENCY: City Council
MEETING DATE: September 28, 2020
DEPARTMENT: City Manager
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AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

TITLE:

Receive Report and Consider Adoption of City Council Resolution Endorsing the Strategic Plan to Address Homelessness in Mendocino County as Adopted by the Mendocino County Homeless Services Continuum of Care

ISSUE:

At the regular City Council meeting on September 14, 2020, Dan McIntire and Shannon Riley, representing the Mendocino County Homeless Services Continuum of Care (MCHSCoC), presented the Strategic Plan to Address Homelessness in Mendocino County (Plan). At that meeting, Ms. Riley and Mr. McIntire asked the City Council to endorse the Plan. City Council indicated a desire to endorse the plan and staff suggested that the endorsement take the form of a resolution. City Council requested that the resolution appear as a conduct of business item on the future City Council agenda, so that the public would have an opportunity to provide public comment on the Plan and its possible endorsement.

ANALYSIS:

As set forth in the Plan's introduction:

The purpose of the Plan is to share with the community a common agenda and plan of action to make homelessness RARE, BRIEF, and only ONE TIME. The Plan was developed by the MCHSCoC, a collaborative of over 31 public agencies and private non-profit organizations throughout the County that serve the unsheltered population. The Plan was reviewed by the MCHSCoC governing board and formally adopted on April 27, 2020.

The Plan fulfills Federal and State requirements that local jurisdictions receiving funding from the U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) have a community plan for addressing homelessness. Mendocino County's CoC is the U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) designated Homeless Continuum of Care for Mendocino County, with the County providing project monitoring and fiduciary oversight.

The Plan also seeks to address the fragmentation that currently exists in the homeless services system, which diminishes the effectiveness of homelessness-related funding, service delivery, and system performance. The Plan recognizes that transforming the County's homeless service system will require close collaboration with community members and key stakeholders, elected officials, agency staff, service and housing providers, and people with lived experience of homelessness. Thus, the Plan includes two additional goals related to strengthening collaboration both between the MCHSCoC and the broader community and within the MCHSCoC

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governing body itself.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve a resolution endorsing the Mendocino County Homeless Services Continuum of Care's Strategic Plan to Address Homelessness in Mendocino County.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION(S):

1. Do not adopt the resolution.
2. Provide staff alternative direction.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Endorsement of the Plan does not have a fiscal impact on the City. However, future solutions or actions by the City consistent with or as part of implementing the action steps outlined in the Plan could have financial impacts.

GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACT:

Endorsing the Plan does not have an impact on greenhouse gas emissions. Future actions consistent with the plan would need to be evaluated as to their impact on greenhouse gas emissions.

CONSISTENCY:

The Plan is consistent with the Homelessness Needs Assessment and Action Steps for Mendocino County by Marbut Reporting (Marbut Report). The Marbut Report was adopted in concept and endorsed by the City Council on July 9, 2018.

IMPLEMENTATION/TIMEFRAMES:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution
2. The Plan
3. PowerPoint Presentation

NOTIFICATION:

1. Homeless, **Notify Me subscriber list**
2. Affordable Housing, **Notify Me subscriber list**