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Meeting Agenda Special City Council

THE FORT BRAGG CITY COUNCIL MEETS CONCURRENTLY
AS THE FORT BRAGG MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
NO. 1 AND THE FORT BRAGG REDEVELOPMENT SUCCESSOR
AGENCY

Monday, January 16, 2023

1:00 PM

Via Video Conference

Special Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

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1. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON SPECIAL AGENDA ITEMS

Public comments may be made on the matters described in this Special Meeting Notice (Government Code Section 54954.3).

2. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

2A. 22-662 Receive Report on the Extreme Weather Shelter (EWS) Operations and

Consider Approval to Designate \$25,000 from the City Council Goals Budget

for Continued EWS Operations

Attachments: 01162023 EWS Funding

ADJOURNMENT

City Clerk

| June Lemos, MMC | |
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| | jury, that I am employed by the City of Fort Bragg and that led in the City Hall notice case on January 12, 2023. |
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| STATE OF CALIFORNIA |) |

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Receive Report on the Extreme Weather Shelter (EWS) Operations and Consider Approval to

Designate \$25,000 from the City Council Goals Budget for Continued EWS Operations





AGENCY: City Council
MEETING DATE: January 16, 2023
DEPARTMENT: City Manager
PRESENTED BY: Peggy Ducey

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AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

TITLE:

Receive Report on the Extreme Weather Shelter (EWS) Operations and Consider Approval to Designate \$25,000 from the City Council Goals Budget for Continued EWS Operations

ISSUE:

Because of the back-to-back storms Fort Bragg has experienced this winter, the City has sheltered individuals at Motel 6 for many more nights than originally anticipated. As of January 11, 2023, the County funding of \$36,208 is completely exhausted. Staff requests that the City Council approve \$25,000 from the City Council Goals budget (110-4110-0319) for continued EWS operations.

ANALYSIS:

Unlike last year, this has been a cold, wet winter. Beginning in December, Fort Bragg experienced severe storms that were dangerous to homeless individuals. Beginning two weeks ago, back-to-back storms drove the need to house more individuals for many consecutive nights. This need quickly drained the EWS contract of \$36,208. See below for current program statistics.

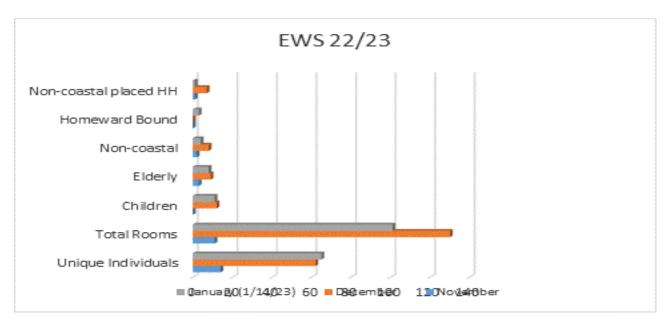
| | Unique | Total | | | Non- | Homeward | Non-coastal |
|-------------------|-------------|-------|----------|---------|---------|----------|-------------|
| Month | Individuals | Rooms | Children | Elderly | coastal | Bound | placed HH |
| November | 14 | 11 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| December | 62 | 130 | 12 | 9 | 8 | 0 | 7 |
| January (1/11/23) | 65 | 101 | 11 | 8 | 4 | 3 | 1 |

The need for rooms jumped from 11 to 130 rooms between November and December. In the first 11 days of January, EWS provided 101 rooms to 65 unique homeless individuals. Consequently, as of January 11, 2023, the EWS program is completely out of money.

The Police Department has moved forward on a number of fronts to keep the EWS program going, given that more storms are forecast. The Chief is negotiating the current Motel 6 room rate from \$149.99+tax per room to \$67.88+tax per room. He is awaiting confirmation from Motel 6. The Mayor identified potential funding of \$25,000 in the City Council Goals budget. He has also tentatively confirmed with the County to match the City's contribution, with the stipulation that City funds would be expended first before County funds are accessed.

Staff has also confirmed that funds spent to shelter homeless individuals is reimbursable from the California Office of Emergency Services (OES) under the State and federal disaster

declarations. Finance is now carefully tracking all disaster-related expenditures to ensure the City recoups all eligible costs permitted by the State and federal government.



RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Consider approval to direct \$25,000 from the City Council Goals budget (110-4110-0319) to support continued Extreme Weather Shelter operations for Fiscal Year 2022/23.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION(S):

Provide staff with further direction.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The funds are currently budgeted for FY 2022/23 specifically for Council goals. Finance has reviewed this and recommended approval.

GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACT:

None.

IMPLEMENTATION/TIMEFRAMES:

Immediately upon Council approval.

ATTACHMENTS:

None.

NOTIFICATION:

None.