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The City has identified a property at 5301 Sierra Vista Ave 90029 (CF# 24-1123), for the production of interim housing, composed of mostly single occupancy beds, which would represent a meaningful increase in Council District 13's interim housing units, and help address the homelessness crisis in the district and in the City.

This project will be a part of the California Department of Healthcare Services (DHCS) Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (BHCIP) / Emergency Stabilization Bed (ESB) Grant Funding ("State 500"). The program commits the speedy delivery of 500 interim housing beds to the City of LA. State 500 funds do not completely fund all 500 beds in the work program, however the City has identified additional sufficient funding, including additional funding for 5301 Sierra Vista.


DignityMoves is an award-winning California nonprofit organization that focuses on ending unsheltered homelessness by building interim supportive housing. In the last 3 years, DignityMoves has delivered 496 beds in California. Currently, DignityMoves has 11 sites in various stages of development totalling over 800 beds in San Jose, Oakland, Modesto, Watsonville, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Thousand Oaks, Ojai, and San Bernardino.

Of the estimated approximately \$6.3 million dollars in construction costs for the 5301 Sierra Vista project, DignityMoves is willing to become a philanthropic partner and project manager, raising a minimum of 2.5 million dollars for this project, with \$300,000 reserved by DignityMoves for development services and the remainder \$1.95 million contributed to development of the site.


No other non-profit organization has expressed interest in funding and donating to this project and has the same expertise and track record in providing these services. This partnership with DignityMoves represents an exciting opportunity to pair private philanthropy with City and State Funding to reduce City funded project costs.

I THEREFORE MOVE the Bureau of Engineering with the assistance of the City Attorney be requested to negotiate a sole source agreement with DignityMoves to encompass, at minimum, the delivery of services, funding, and project management for the purpose of delivering interim housing at 5310 Sierra Vista, subject to all required City approvals.

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