

MOTION HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY

On December 10, 2020, the Mayor and City Council approved \$23,758,000 Federal in Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) for the purchase of three (3) commercial properties in Council District 9 and identified owner/operators to develop the sites for use under the City's Homekey Program (C.F. 20-1008).

On April 7, 2021, the Mayor and City Council approved \$5,449,711 in rehabilitation funding to develop interim housing at two (2) of the three (3) sites purchased in Council District 9, including \$836,904 in Community Development Block Grant-COVID (CDBG-COVID) and \$538,329 in Emergency Solutions Grant- COVID (ESG-COVID) for the Volunteers of America of Los Angeles (VOALA) site at 2521-2525 Long Beach Boulevard, and \$2,043,164 in CDBG-COVID for the Los Angeles Neighborhood Housing Services and Ward Economic Development Corporation (LANHS/Ward) site at 1300-1332 West Slauson Avenue (C.F. 20-0841).


This motion recommends changing the funding sources for the rehabilitation costs of these two sites, given the timing of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review. The CDBG-COVID and ESG-COVID funding will be replaced with \$2,033,164 in CRF savings allocated to the Bureau of Engineering for the construction costs of two Tiny Home Village sites at 11471 Chandler Boulevard (\$33,164) and 12600 Saticoy (\$2,000,000) in Council District 2. These funds have to be expended by the December 31, 2021 CRF deadline. This motion also recommends allocating the State of California Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Program funds (\$10,000) for the rehabilitation costs at 1332 West Slauson Avenue in Council District 9 and allocating Additional Homeless Services General City Purposes funds (\$1,375,233) for the rehabilitation costs at 2521-2525 Long Beach Boulevard in Council District 9. The CDBG-COVID and ESG-COVID funds that had been allocated to these projects will be allocated to future Roadmap projects.

This motion further reprograms the State of California HHAP Program funds to reconcile HHAP Funding Categories for the cost of operations at A Bridge Home sites at 1479 La Cienega Boulevard in Council District 5, 4601 S Figueroa Street in Council District 9, 1214 Lodi Place in Council District 13 and the City's YMCA Shower Program and the Portable Hygiene Station program (C.F. 19-0914 and 21-0307). This motion also reprograms \$23,783 in the State of California Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) savings allocated to the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority for Multi-Disciplinary Outreach Teams in Council District 8 to costs incurred by June 30, 2021, ensure that the full amount of the City's HEAP grant is expended by the statutory June 30, 2021 deadline (C.F. 18-0628).

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council:

1. DETERMINE the Crisis and Bridge Housing facilities at 1300 - 1332 West Slauson Avenue and 2521 - 2525 Long Beach Avenue, which allow tenant improvements and the operation as temporary homeless shelters for those experiencing homelessness, are statutorily exempt under Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(4) as specific actions necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency as reflected in California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guideline Section 15269(c); Public Resources Code Section 21080.27 (AB 1197) applicable to City of Los Angeles emergency homeless shelters; and, because the projects use "Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program funds," these are also exempt under Governor's Order N-32-20;

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2. REPROGRAM \$2,043,164 allocated for rehabilitation costs to establish up to 100 interim housing beds at 1332 West Slauson Avenue in Council District 9 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-COVID) from Fund No. 100, Department No. 10, Account No. 003040, contractual services to Fund No. 424, Account No. 43T9CV, CV-19 Pallet Shelters for future Roadmap costs;
3. REPROGRAM \$2,033,164 in savings allocated for construction of the two Tiny Home Village sites in Council District 2 to the Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 63M, Department No. 10, Account No. 10T695 from the following accounts:
 - a. \$33,164 from the Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 63M, Department No. 10, Account No. 10T612, Tiny Home Village at 11471 Chandler Boulevard; and
 - b. \$2,000,000 from the Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 63M, Department No. 10, Account No. 10T620, Tiny Home Village at 12600 Saticoy;
4. TRANSFER up to \$2,043,164 to Fund No. 100, Department No. 10, Account No. 003040, contractual services from the following accounts:
 - a. \$10,000 from HHAP Category 1 - A Bridge Home Capital; and
 - b. \$2,033,164 from the Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 63M, Department No. 10, Account No. 10T695;
5. REPROGRAM \$1,375,233 allocated for rehabilitation costs to establish up to 220 interim housing beds at 2521-2525 Long Beach Boulevard in Council District 9 from Fund No. 100, Department No. 10, Account No. 003040, contractual services to:
 - a. \$538,329 in the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) - COVID to Fund No. 517, Account No. 43TA43, Homekey Rehab and transfer therefrom to Fund No. 517, Account No. 43VC9V for future COVID-19 Homelessness Roadmap costs; and
 - b. \$836,904 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-COVID) to Fund No. 424, Account No. 43T9CV, CV-19 Pallet Shelters;
6. TRANSFER up to \$1,375,233 from the Additional Homeless Services General City Purposes Fund No. 100/56, Account No. 000931 to Fund No. 100, Department No. 10, Account No. 003040, contractual services;

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council APPROVE the following State of California Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Program reprogramming actions to reconcile HHAP Funding Categories:

7. RESCIND the approved recommendation 11 in the City Administrative Officer Report on the State of California HHAP Program, dated January 14, 2021, Council File 19-0914;
8. REPROGRAM \$4,485,604.69 within the State HHAP Grant Fund No. 62Y as follows:
 - a. \$1,638,621.56 from HHAP Category 3 - Prevention, Shelter Diversion to Permanent Housing and Bridge Housing Operations to HHAP Category 1 - A Bridge Home Capital;
 - b. \$211,983.13 from HHAP Category 6 - Youth to HHAP Category 1 - A Bridge Home Capital; and
 - c. \$2,635,000 from HHAP Category 5 - Street Strategy, Outreach, Public Health, and Hygiene to HHAP Category 7 - Administrative Costs;

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council APPROVE the following State of California Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) reprogramming actions to ensure that the full amount of the City's HEAP grant is expended by the statutory June 30, 2021 deadline:

9. REPROGRAM \$23,738 in savings appropriated to the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority from the Homeless Multidisciplinary Teams with Homeless Outreach Program Integrated Care System (HOPICS) in Council District 8 to HEAP Activity Category 3 - Capital, Operating, Services - Citywide (Activity Category 3);
10. REPROGRAM \$23,738 from HEAP Activity Category 3 to HEAP Activity Category 2 - Capital and Operating Support - Skid Row (Activity Category 2); and
11. APPROVE \$23,738 from HEAP Activity Category 2 to the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority for the shower and restroom access 24 hours per day, 7 days per week next to The Bin sites with The People Concern in Skid Row area for the costs incurred through June 30, 2021;

I FURTHER MOVE that the Council INSTRUCT the General Manager, Housing and Community Investment Department, or designee, to amend Contract no. C-133135 with the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority as follows:

12. Decrease Multi-Disciplinary Outreach Teams in Council District 8 by \$23,738;
13. Increase The People Concern - Hygiene Services in Skid Row by \$23,738;

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Administrative Officer be AUTHORIZED to prepare Controller instructions or make any necessary technical adjustments consistent with the intent of these transactions, and AUTHORIZE the Controller to implement these instructions.

PRESENTED BY: _____

CURREN D. PRICE, JR.
Council member, 9th District

SECONDED BY: _____

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