

RESOLUTION NO. RES-2017-021

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA 1) APPROVING THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO GRANT AGREEMENT FOR HOMELESS OUTREACH SERVICES TEAM (HOST) PROGRAM (FISCAL YEAR 2016/2017) WITH CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE DIOCESE OF SANTA ROSA TO PROVIDE RAPID RE-HOUSING RESOURCES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$125,000, BRINGING THE TOTAL UNDER THE AGREEMENT TO \$591,450; 2) AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT; AND 3) APPROPRIATING FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE FOR THIS PURPOSE.

WHEREAS, on June 14, 2016, Council approved a Grant Agreement for Homeless Outreach Services Team (HOST Agreement) Program, in the amount of \$466,450, with Catholic Charities, for program operations, including operation of the mobile bathroom-shower trailer, for the period from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 (Fiscal Year 2016/2017); and

WHEREAS, the HOST Program is a multi-disciplinary outreach team that works to engage unsheltered homeless into services and ultimately housing as part of the “Housing First” model; and

WHEREAS, on January 10, 2017, in connection with the extension of the proclamation of local homeless emergency, Council directed staff to further evaluate the expanded winter shelter options presented to Council, which included providing additional rapid re-housing resources through Catholic Charities’ HOST Program; and

WHEREAS, also on January 10, 2017, to strengthen the City’s existing policies and programs regarding homelessness in Santa Rosa, Council, by RES-2017-003, approved a Housing First Strategy and Fiscal Year 2016/2017 Work Plan; and

WHEREAS, rapid re-housing is an evidence-based model and core element of the Housing First approach, which seeks to place unsheltered homeless persons into permanent housing as quickly as possible; and

WHEREAS, the key components of rapid re-housing include housing identification, move-in and rent assistance, and case management services; and

WHEREAS, Catholic Charities has operated a City-sponsored HOST Program since August 2015, including the provision of rapid re-housing; and

WHEREAS, Catholic Charities is proposing to place approximately 25 additional households into permanent housing with the \$125,000 of rapid re-housing funding; and

WHEREAS, the proposed services under the HOST Program are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it is not a project which has a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, pursuant to CEQA Guideline section 15378; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to enter into the First Amendment to Grant Agreement for Homeless Outreach Services Team Program (Fiscal Year 2016/2017) (First Amendment) with Catholic Charities providing rapid re-housing resources in the amount of \$125,000, bringing the total amount under the HOST Agreement to \$591,450, for the existing term of the HOST Agreement to from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Santa Rosa approves the First Amendment and authorizes its execution by the Mayor, in substantially the same form as Exhibit A attached hereto, subject to final approval as to form by the City Attorney.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council approves the appropriation of \$125,000 from General Fund (unassigned fund balance) to Key 340707.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to pay all proper claims associated with the HOST Agreement and the First Amendment from Key 340707, not to exceed a total amount of \$591,450.

IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED this 14th day of February, 2017.

AYES: (7) Mayor Coursey, Vice Mayor Tibbetts, Council Members Combs, Olivares, Rogers, Sawyer, Schwedhelm

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____
City Clerk Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Interim City Attorney

Exhibit A – First Amendment to Grant Agreement for Homeless Outreach Services Team Program with Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Santa Rosa