

RESOLUTION NO. 17-14

Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Emeryville Appropriating \$40,000 From The Affordable Housing Fund (Fund 299) To Homeless Programs In The Economic Development And Housing Division Budget For Fiscal Year 2016-17 (Account Number 299-87420) For Homeless Services

WHEREAS, homelessness and housing instability have wide-ranging negative impacts; and

WHEREAS, individuals or families who are experiencing homelessness, or at risk of becoming homeless, are often unable to reach their full potential at home, at work, at school, or in the community; and

WHEREAS, the high cost of housing in Alameda County increases cases of homelessness and presents a barrier to its prevention; and

WHEREAS, on February 3, 2015 the City Council adopted the City of Emeryville Homeless Strategy ("Homeless Strategy"); and

WHEREAS, in order to implement the objectives of the Homeless Strategy, the City requires assistance with homeless outreach and case management; and

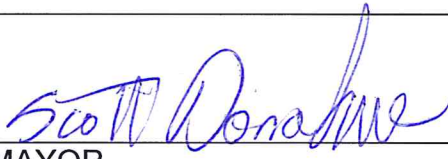
WHEREAS, Berkeley Food and Housing Project (BFHP) has submitted a proposal to provide such services for a total contract amount not to exceed \$36,081, which falls below the \$45,000 threshold requiring City Council approval, and can be approved administratively, but which requires City Council approval of a budget appropriation; and

WHEREAS, an appropriation of \$40,000 would provide sufficient funds for the proposed BFHP contract and additional funding to be used to provide support of the countywide homelessness coordinated entry system, rapid rehousing services, and/or support of neighboring jurisdictions' homelessness services and projects, as needs arise; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Emeryville hereby appropriates \$40,000 from the Affordable Housing Fund (Fund 299) to Homeless Programs in the Economic Development and Housing Division budget for fiscal year 2016-17 (Account Number 299-87420) for homeless services.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Emeryville at a regular meeting held Tuesday, February 7, 2017 by the following vote:

AYES:	<u>5</u>	Mayor Donahue, Vice Mayor Bauters and Council Members Martinez, Medina and Patz
NOES:	<u>0</u>	
ABSTAIN:	<u>0</u>	
ABSENT:	<u>0</u>	


MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


CITY ATTORNEY

City of Emeryville
Homeless Strategy
Resolution No. 15-10
February 3, 2015

1. Prevent at-risk persons from becoming homeless or returning to homelessness
 - Provide information regarding homeless prevention efforts on the City's website, in City offices and at City sponsored events.
 - Support efforts to fund rapid re-housing efforts including ongoing funding from the Alameda County "Boomerang Funds"
 - Continue to work with EUSD staff when families are at risk of homelessness or are who are experiencing homelessness
 - Provide financial management and independent living resources and training to low-income households
2. Remove barriers to accessing homeless services
 - Provide transportation services to people experiencing homelessness who have reduced capacity to access services
 - Improve security of possessions of people experiencing homelessness while they are seeking services.
 - Provide services to people experiencing homelessness in a shared or consolidated space to improve efficiency
 - Coordinate referrals by providing intake and service needs assessment for people experiencing homelessness regardless of specific provider
 - Provide street outreach to, and engagement of, people experiencing homelessness and provide information about available resources
 - Provide case management from the point of engagement and continue while permanent housing is retained
 - Reduce violence against people experiencing homelessness and provide a safe way to access services
 - Provide the ability for people experiencing homelessness to meet basic human needs such as food security, medical services and sanitation - including restroom facilities
 - Support coordinated homeless needs assessment tools
3. Participate in regional strategies for preventing and reducing homelessness
 - Work with Alameda County Housing and Community Development, Behavioral Health and Public Health to reduce homelessness through the provision of mental health, medical and social services
 - Work with Alameda County to provide housing services to the chronically homeless and medically fragile.
 - Work with the Cities of Albany, Berkeley, and Oakland to coordinate and fund outreach, shelter, re-housing and case management services.
 - Support the formation of Homeless Crisis Centers
4. Provide Housing Services
 - Provide funding for permanent supportive housing
 - Include the provision of permanent supportive housing in future Requests for Qualification for affordable housing developments
 - Identify sites and funding sources for extremely low income housing
 - Work with residential management companies to remove institutional housing access barriers including denial of applications for housing due to arrest records, credit issues and substance abuse