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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Lawrance Florin - Director

Housing and Intergovernmental Affairs

REPORT BY: Nancy Johnson, Housing and Community Development Program Manager - 707-299-1352

SUBJECT: Approval of a cost sharing agreement with the City of Napa for reimbursement on a contract with

LeSar Development for Homeless Services

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Housing and Intergovernmental Affairs requests approval of and authorization for the Chairman to sign an agreement with the City of Napa for a maximum of \$7,500 for the term February 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 to reimburse the County for costs associated with a contract with LeSar Development for a homeless outreach plan.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The County entered into a contract with LeSar Development Consultants which included facilitating three community meetings with downtown stakeholders regarding neighborhood concerns around the Hope Center and "triangle park". The City of Napa agreed to help fund the cost of the contract as their was a benefit to the City as well. The City of Napa will contribute \$7,500 to help offset the cost of LeSar's contract.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? Yes
Is it currently budgeted? Yes

Where is it budgeted? The LeSar Development Consultants contract is paid through the Affordable

Housing Fund.

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Discretionary

Discretionary Justification: The County and City of Napa determined that there was a mutual benefit to

hire LeSar to facilitate the meetings and produce a final report.

Is the general fund affected? No

Future fiscal impact: This is a one time cost sharing agreement.

Consequences if not approved: The County would fund the entirety of the contract with LeSar Development

Consultants.

Additional Information:

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The homeless issue around the Hope Center and "triangle park" as it has come to be known, has drawn much attention from local residents in the Old Town section of Napa. The Hope Center is the entry point for the shelter system and programs offered by the County and is bordered by the Salvation Army and the Table, who also serve the homeless and low income population. In an attempt to work cooperatively, staff from the County and City of Napa met several times and agreed to use LeSar Development Consultants to facilitate three meetings with neighbors, service providers and local businesses to define the problem and start to come up with action items for the City, County and even neighbors to work on. The result is a final report and plan on how to move forward to address neighbor concerns. The final report will come to the Board shortly with a comprehensive plan on how to address homelessness and the move from Housing and Community Development to adopt the Housing First model.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Molly Rattigan