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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS **Board Agenda Letter**

TO: **Board of Supervisors**

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Health & Human Services Operations

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SUBJECT: Adoption of a Resolution Declaring a Shelter Crisis

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services requests adoption of a resolution declaring a shelter crisis through April 15, 2016 in accordance with Government Code Sections 8698 through 8698.2 pertaining to operation of an emergency winter shelter.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In anticipation of the onset of inclement weather, the Director of Health and Human services requests adoption of a resolution declaring a shelter crisis for operation of a winter shelter. Last year, the Board approved Agreement No. 6155 with Community Action of Napa Valley, Inc., (CANV) to operate the winter shelter for a maximum of \$133,134 with a provision for annual renewal.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

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

A local shortage of housing for low-income families has created a public problem in which individuals within Napa County are without the ability to obtain shelter, resulting in a threat to their health and safety. Government Code Sections 8698 through 8698.2 allows the County to declare a shelter crisis to facilitate the use and operation of winter shelters for persons unable to obtain housing. These Code sections also enable the County to own, lease or otherwise acquire vacant or under-utilized public facilities for the duration of the shelter crisis. The resolution declares that the shelter crisis will exist until April 15, 2016, to give the County maximum flexibility in determining how long to keep the shelter open, depending on weather conditions.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

A . Resolution

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Leanne Link