

SUMMARY OF STAFF REPORT FOR ITEM #20-00646

June 11, 2020

ITEM SUBJECT:

Actions pertaining to proposed Substantial Amendment 2019-03 to the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan:

1. RESOLUTION – Adopting Substantial Amendment 2019-03 to the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan and COVID-19 Amendments to the Citizen Participation Plan to submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to program Emergency Solutions Grant-Coronavirus (ESG-CV) and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS-Coronavirus (HOPWA-CV) funds to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus (COVID-19) and authorizing the City Manager to sign all necessary implementing documents
2. Approve a \$1,998,334.50 HEARTH Emergency Solutions Grant (HESG) Agreement with the County of Fresno Department of Social Services for implementation of the joint COVID-19 homelessness response plan
3. Approve a \$87,020 Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Agreement with WestCare California for COVID-19 response
4. ***RESOLUTION – Adopting the 49th amendment to the Annual Appropriation Resolution No. 2019-133 appropriating \$2,196,200 for COVID-19 related homeless and special needs services through federal entitlement grant programs (Requires 5 affirmative votes) (Subject to Mayor's veto)

SUMMARY:

- Today the City Council is taking formal action needed to receive HUD entitlement funds for homeless services to respond to COVID-19.
- \$2,103,510 of ESG-CV funds will be programmed, appropriated, and awarded through a subrecipient agreement in accordance with the May 14, 2020 memorandum of understand to coordinate COVID-19 homeless response with the County of Fresno and the Fresno Madera Continuum of Care.
- \$92,574 of HOPWA-CV funds will be programmed, appropriated, and awarded through a subrecipient agreement to augment existing housing services for persons living with HIV/AIDS through a program administered by WestCare.