

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF DIRECTING THE CHIEF	)	RESOLUTION NO. 21-5187A
OPERATING OFFICER TO DEVELOP AND	)	Introduced by Councilor Mary Nolan,
COORDINATE ANALYSIS AND ASSESSMENT OF	)	Councilor Bob Stacey and Councilor Juan
SUPPORTIVE HOUSING SERVICES STRATEGIES	)	Carlos Gonzalez
AND PROGRAMS TO EVALUATE ONGOING		
REGIONAL NEED.		

WHEREAS, under the Supportive Housing Services Program approved by voters and framed by Metro, Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington Counties have developed Local Implementation Plans (LIPs) which dedicate funds to a variety of services with the end goal of ending chronic homelessness; and

WHEREAS, while conventional shelter itself does not end chronic homelessness, it is a key component that all three counties included in their LIPs to address immediate, short-term safety needs for those experiencing homelessness; and

WHEREAS, while the counties work to ramp up all parts of their strategies, Metro Council wishes to provide specific guidance to Metro staff for FY 21-22; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that Metro Council directs the Chief Operating Officer to provide by September 1st, 2021, a report to Metro Council and a presentation for discussion at a Council work session covering information that includes at least:

- a. An inventory of Metro properties that could be made available to counties, cities, social service organizations and other non-profit entities for the purpose of hosting additional temporary warm and dry, clean and secure sleeping options (or shelter); and
- b. A compilation of existing and planned capacity for warm and dry, clean and secure sleeping (shelter) within the Metro Service District owned or operated by Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington Counties, cities within those counties and non-government organizations planned to be available by December 1, 2021. Temporary winter shelter capacity should be included in this memorandum. Metro staff will provide quarterly written reports to Council with updated shelter capacity across the region, which will be discussed at Council work sessions; and
- c. An estimate based on the most current, complete and accurate information available of the number of people likely to have no warm and dry, clean and secure sleeping options for the 2021-22 winter. This number will come to Metro Council along with the most recent data and analysis of the total number of homeless individuals (both by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development definition and other government metrics) within the Metro region

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Metro Council directs the Chief Operating Officer to continue coordinating with Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington Counties to conduct ongoing performance analysis and gap assessments of the totality (or summation) of Local Implementation

Plan program strategies in the context of the collective regional need. Metro staff will provide quarterly written reports to Metro Council with updated analysis thus providing the Metro Council an opportunity to collaborate with regional partners to address identified system barriers and issues.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Metro Council directs the Chief Operating Officer to engage national experts and leaders in the transition from homelessness to permanent housing to advise Council on the effectiveness and potential adaptability of approaches used successfully in other regions and cities to move equitably and expeditiously to permanent housing while stabilizing the health, wellbeing and dignity of all homeless neighbors until they too achieve permanent housing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Metro Council will host annually, beginning in November 2021, a public conversation and round table, either independently or with the tri-county homeless services planning body, that will include regional elected leaders, service providers, community groups made up of and serving BIPOC communities, representatives of workers, representatives of businesses, school districts, the faith community and the general public to assess the state of shelter and emergency shelter and make plans for improving regional outcomes.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 17th day of June, 2021

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