MOTION

HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY

In April of this year, the City Council and the Mayor declared a shelter crisis in the City of Los Angeles. According to the 2018 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Point in Time Count released by Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), 31,516 homeless individuals reside in the City, 23,114 of whom are unsheltered. To respond to this crisis and the immediate need for shelter, the Mayor and Council allocated \$20 million to the Crisis and Bridge Housing Fund in the 2018-19 Adopted Budget to establish temporary crisis and bridge housing facilities. The goal of this fund is to add 50 to 100 new beds per Council District.

On October 3, 2018 a Motion (Cedillo – Bonin – Ryu - Wesson) was introduced instructing the General Services Department (GSD) to negotiate a three-year lease agreement with the Los Angeles Mission and associated sub-lease with People Assisting the Homeless (PATH) for the property located at 1920 West 3rd Street for bridge housing (C.F. 18-0941). The Motion also instructed the City Administrative Officer to identify resources to support leasing costs, furniture, fixtures and equipment needed to establish a bridge housing facility for 28 individual women and five (5) families at this site.

GSD is expected to report to the Municipal Facilities Committee (MFC) in November with recommendations to negotiate and execute a lease with LA Mission for the property located at 1920 West Third Street and associated sub-lease with PATH to manage and operate the facility. It is anticipated that GSD will also recommend funding for the lease. Upon Council and Mayor approval, LAHSA will execute a contract with PATH to manage and operate the facility. Also, separate from the funding needed for the lease, additional funds in the amount of \$923,070 are needed to supplement Los Angeles County Measure H operating funding for three years and one-time start-up costs.

I THEREFORE MOVE that, subject to the approval of the Mayor, \$923,070 in the General City Purposes Fund No. 100/56, Account 000931 (Crisis and Bridge Housing Fund) be transferred/appropriated to the Housing and Community Investment Department (HCID) Fund 10A General Fund program, new account Bridge Home Operations, Account No. 43R696 to be used as follows: \$675,532 to support PATH to manage and operate the facility for 36 months; and \$251,538 for start-up costs to furnish and initiate the operation of the facility for the bridge housing project proposed at 1920 West Third Street.

I FURTHER MOVE that HCID's General Manager, or designee, be instructed to amend the Contract C-131969 with the Los Angeles Homeless Services Agency (LAHSA) to support PATH with furnishing and operating this Bridge Home site, and request LAHSA to contract with PATH to operate the facility.

FURTHER MOVE that the City Administrative Officer be directed to prepare any additional Controller instructions or make any necessary technical adjustments consistent with the Mayor and Council action in this matter, and authorize the Controller to implement these instructions.

FURTHER MOVE that the City Council instruct the City Homeless Coordinator to coordinate with Los Angeles County to identify funds for interim housing operations at this site, including, but not limited to County Measure H revenue.

PRESENTED BY:

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SECONDED BY:

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