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TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: City Manager

SUBJECT

Approval of a Resolution to Extend Resolution 18-027, Declaring a Shelter Crisis in the City of Hayward Until June 30, 2021, and to Authorize the City Manager to Take Emergency Actions to Implement a Hayward Housing Navigation Center on City-Owned Property, and Approval of a Resolution to Authorize the City Manager to Appropriate and Expend up to \$3 Million in State and Local Funding for the Hayward Navigation Center

RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council takes emergency actions to implement a Hayward Housing Navigation Center on City-owned property at the corner of Depot and Whitesell Roads to address the homeless shelter crisis in the City of Hayward by approving: (1) a Resolution to extend Resolution No. 18-207, Declaring an Emergency Homeless Shelter Crisis in the City of Hayward and to authorize the City Manager to take emergency actions to implement a Hayward Navigation Center (Attachment II); and (2) a Resolution authorizing the appropriation of up to \$3 Million in state and local funding for the Hayward Housing Navigation Center (Attachment III).

SUMMARY

The City of Hayward is experiencing a homeless shelter emergency. According to the 2017 Point-in-Time Count, there are 397 homeless individuals in Hayward, of whom 79% (313) are unsheltered. There are two homeless shelters in Hayward for families and women with children, leaving a serious need for shelters for homeless individuals. As a result, staff recommends the City Council take emergency actions to implement a Hayward Housing Navigation Center for approximately 45 individuals on the currently vacant City-owned parcel at the corner of Depot and Whitesell Roads (Site), including authorizing the appropriation of up to \$3 million in State and local funding for one-time start-up costs (approximately \$500,000) and one year of operational funding (approximately \$2.5 million). The proposed Hayward Housing Navigation Center is modeled after the successful City of Berkeley Pathways STAIR Center that opened in June 2018 and has placed 45 individuals in housing since opening.

The Hayward Housing Navigation Center would be operated by a social services agency with experience serving homeless populations under contract with the City and would include three highly integrated components: (1) targeted outreach services to existing homeless encampments in Hayward primarily for

placement of individuals at the Center; (2) short-term housing in a low-barrier shelter environment in modular buildings placed on the Site; and (3) intensive case management and housing placement services for existing and former residents of the Center.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment I	Staff Report
Attachment II	Resolution to Extend Resolution 18-207
Attachment III	Resolution to Appropriate Funds
Attachment IV	Photos of Berkeley Pathways STAIRS Project
Attachment V	Request for Information