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**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** City Manager

## **SUBJECT**

City of Hayward Homelessness Update: Accepting Information on the 2019 Homeless Population Point in Time Count; Adopting a Resolution Endorsing the EveryOne Home Strategic Plan; Receiving an Update on the Hayward Navigation Center; and Adopting a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Accept and Appropriate a Donation of \$83,000 from the Hayward Rotary Club

## RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council:

- Accepts information on the results of the 2019 Homeless Population Point in Time Counts for Alameda County and Hayward (Attachments II and III, respectively);
- Adopts a Resolution endorsing the EveryOne Home Strategic Plan (Attachment IV);
- Receives an update on the Hayward Navigation Center; and
- Adopts a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to accept and appropriate an \$83,000 donation from the Hayward Rotary Club (Attachment V).

## SUMMARY

The 2019 Point-in-Time Count (PIT Count) contains data that is an essential tool to understanding the scope, trends, and causes of homelessness in the Hayward community and throughout the region. The data is the result of a coordinated regional effort that includes every jurisdiction in Alameda County. This report summarizes the findings of the 2019 PIT Count of homeless persons in Alameda County and Hayward that was conducted and led by EveryOne Home in January 2019 (Attachment II).

EveryOne Home is the collective impact organization formed to address and end homelessness in Alameda County, uniting the efforts of city and county government partners, nonprofit service providers, individuals experiencing homelessness, and community members. In 2018, EveryOne Home undertook a Strategic Update to its Plan to End Homelessness ("Plan"), previously drafted in 2007. The Plan offers ambitious and coordinated strategies and actions to reduce the Alameda County nightly homeless count to 2,200-meaning no one would have to sleep without shelter. EveryOne Home is requesting the endorsements of community partners to show a united and coordinated effort to end unsheltered homelessness in Alameda County by 2023. Staff recommends that Council endorse the Plan, which can be found in full in Attachment III. One of the projects listed in the Hayward Strategic Roadmap, approved by Council on January 28, 2020, is for staff to create a Homelessness Reduction Strategic Plan specifically for the Hayward community. Staff intends to use the Everyone Home Plan, among other sources, to inform the City's own strategic plan to reduce homelessness.

One of the City's most recent and aggressive approaches to reducing homelessness is the opening of the Hayward Navigation Center in late 2019. To date, the Center is housing 44 individuals, and five individuals have been placed into permanent housing. In support of the Navigation Center, the Hayward Rotary Club has donated \$83,000 towards the purchase of one of the residential units at the Navigation Center. Staff recommends that Council approves a resolution authorizing and appropriating these funds for use at the Navigation Center (Attachment IV).

## ATTACHMENTS

Attachment I	Staff Report
Attachment II	2019 Alameda County PIT Count
Attachment III	2019 Hayward PIT Count
Attachment IV	Resolution to Endorse the Plan
Attachment V	Resolution to Authorize and Appropriate Funds from Rotary Donation