TRACY HOMELESSNESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

September 26, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

Tracy City Hall, 333 Civic Center Plaza, Tracy, CA 95376

CALL TO ORDER – Chairperson Davis called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm

ROLL CALL – Deputy City Clerk. Roll call found Chairperson Davis and Vice Chairperson Bedolla

1. Motion was made by Vice Chairperson Bedolla and seconded by Chairperson Davis to adopt the Consent Calendar. All in favor, passed and so ordered.

1.A Adoption of the May 18, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes-Minutes were adopted

2. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE –

Bryson Yager, spoke about the health concerns his girlfriend is experiencing at the shelter and how City Net staff is not following COVID-19 safety protocol and is not receiving proper case management.

Elizabeth Barrejas, former shelter resident, expressed her concerns that COVID-19 protocol was not being followed and practiced by City Net staff. She also expressed her concerns with the lack of necessities provided by the staff like toilet paper and hand soap.

Lauren Taylor, resident of the shelter, spoke about how she was not properly informed that COVID-19 was active in the dorm that she was moved into and contracted the virus.

Brent Fonseca, resident of the shelter, spoke about an incident where he was assaulted near Denny's and how he was treated by the police department.

Veronica Vega, resident of the shelter, indicated that she also got COVID-19 and stays in the same modular as the other resident who contracted the virus. She was also not informed of the COVID-19 outbreak by City Net staff.

Bobby, resident of the shelter, expressed his frustration that he and his wife are being threatened of being exited from the shelter as they refuse to return to their dorm until the COVID quarantine is over. He was also upset that he had to throw away his bikes and trailers because of the new shelter manager from City Net.

Bernadette Richards, was recently exited from the shelter and expressed her frustration with City Net's write up policy and guidelines.

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Cynthia Camacho, spoke about the lack of communication she has had with the Homeless Services Manager in being able to express her concerns of the issues going on at the shelter.

Kendra, resident of the shelter, shared that she also got COVID and was hospitalized. She shared that City Net staff did not follow proper COVID protocol and is still not doing anything to help the shelter guests.

3. REGULAR AGENDA

3.A <u>The Tracy Homelessness Advisory Committee receive an informational report</u> regarding the implementation of the City Council Strategic Plan to End and Prevent Homelessness and the most recent Emergency Interim Shelter activities.

Virginia Carney, Homeless Services Manager provided the staff report, presentation and responded to questions.

Brent Fonseca, shared that he feels that the City of Tracy can be the role model for other cities on how to help serve the homeless community and asked for the City to talk to the warehouses in town to create work programs for the unhoused.

Cynthia Camacho, asked if the Homeless Services Manager can confirm that the shelter guest are receiving the services being presented in the slides like food and clothing.

Committee questions and comments followed.

Brad Fieldhouse talked about the COVID-19 protocol that City Net is implementing and following at the shelter.

Chief Millington informed the committee that the team is currently working with IT to implement the Camp2Home dashboard that will provide real time data of the unhoused population in Tracy. Right now the data received is manual, but the Familiar Faces team is familiar with the unhoused at the parks and surrounding areas.

Committee comments followed.

3.B The Tracy Homelessness Advisory Committee recommend that the City Council adopt a resolution awarding a professional service agreement to The Salvation Army to serve as the City's shelter operator for the Temporary Emergency Housing Facility, with an initial term of one (1) year and a not-to-exceed annual cost of \$2.6 Million.

Virginia Carney, Homeless Services Manager provided the staff report, presentation and responded to questions.

Committee comments and questions followed.

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Captain Juan Oregel with The Salvation Army spoke about implementing various programs and services to the shelter that have been successful at other Salvation Army facilities and provided an overview of the daily operations for the shelter. He also shared his own personal success story with the help of The Salvation Army and how he wants to provide that support to the shelter guest.

Major John Brackenbury shared that the City of Tracy does not only have The Salvation Army on there side, but the whole division and the resources they have available.

Cynthia Camacho expressed that she looks forward to The Salvation Army taking over the shelter and the change that they will bring.

Brad Fieldhouse congratulated The Salvation Army on the awarded contract to operate the shelter and that City Net will finish well and strong until the keys are turned over to the new operator.

- ACTION: Motion was made by Vice Chairperson Bedolla and seconded by Chairperson Davis that the Tracy Homelessness Advisory Committee recommend that the City Council adopt a resolution awarding a professional service agreement to The Salvation Army to serve as the City's shelter operator for the Temporary Emergency Housing Facility, with an initial term of one (1) year and a not-toexceed annual cost of \$2.6 Million. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.
 - 3.C The Tracy Homelessness Advisory Committee recommend that the City Council adopt a resolution (1) making a determination that United Site Services provides unique products and services that are not available from other sources, therefore compliance with standard procurement process is not in the best interest of the City and (2) approving general services agreement with United Site Services of California, Inc. with a not-to-exceed amount of \$125,000 to provide temporary showers and restrooms to Phase IV-Custom Container occupants until permanent bathrooms are installed under Phase II-Site Improvements at the Temporary Emergency Housing Facility, CIP 71112, at 370 West Arbor Avenue.

Ilene Macintire, Senior Civil Engineer provided the staff report and responded to questions.

No public comment.

No committee questions or comments.

ACTION: Motion was made by Vice Chairperson Bedolla and seconded by Chairperson Davis that the Tracy Homelessness Advisory Committee recommend that the City Council adopt a resolution (1) making a determination that United Site Services provides unique products and services that are not available from other sources, therefore compliance with standard procurement process is not in the best interest of the City and (2) approving general services agreement with United Site Services of California, Inc. with a not-to-exceed amount of \$125,000 to provide temporary showers and restrooms to Phase IV-Custom Container occupants until permanent bathrooms are installed under Phase II-Site



Improvements at the Temporary Emergency Housing Facility, CIP 71112, at 370 West Arbor Avenue. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

3.D <u>The Tracy Homelessness Advisory Committee recommend that the City Council</u> adopt a Resolution to (1) approve the Professional Services Agreement with Roebbelen Construction Management Services, Inc. for construction management services for Phase II Site Improvements at the Temporary Emergency Housing Facility, CIP 71112, located at 370 W. Arbor Avenue, with a total not-to-exceed amount of \$450,185.

Brian MacDonald, Interim Assistant City Manager, introduced Nilo Velazquez to the committee before presenting the staff report.

Nilo Velazquez, Management Analyst II provided the staff report and responded to questions.

Committee questions and comments followed.

Ilene Macintire, Senior Civil Engineer responded to questions.

Committee comments followed.

No public comment.

- ACTION: Motion was made by Vicechair Bedolla and seconded by Chairperson Davis that the Tracy Homelessness Advisory Committee recommend that the City Council adopt a Resolution to (1) approve the Professional Services Agreement with Roebbelen Construction Management Services, Inc. for construction management services for Phase II Site Improvements at the Temporary Emergency Housing Facility, CIP 71112, located at 370 W. Arbor Avenue, with a total not-to-exceed amount of \$450,185. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.
 - 3.E <u>The Tracy Homelessness Advisory Committee recommend that the City Council</u> adopt a resolution approving a professional services agreement with Trine Integrated Services, Inc. for security services for a total amount not to exceed \$150,000 for a term of three months.

Brian MacDonald, Interim Assistant City Manager, requested Item 3.E be pulled from the agenda.

No public comment.

- **ACTION:** No motion made by committee as item was pulled.
- 4. STAFF ITEMS None
- 5. COMMITTEE ITEMS None

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6. ADJOURNMENT – Time: 9:21 p.m.

ACTION: Motion was made by Vice Chairperson Bedolla and seconded by Chairperson Davis to adjourn. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

The agenda was posted at City Hall on September 25, 2023. The above are action minutes.

Chairperson

ATTEST:

Administration Technician

