

September 3, 2019

AGENDA ITEM 6.B

REQUEST

ADOPT A RESOLUTION FORMALLY ESTABLISHING THE TRACY HOMELESSNESS STRATEGIC PLAN DEVELOPMENT AD HOC COMMITTEE AND DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION REGARDING EXPANDING THE COMMITTEE'S SCOPE TO INCLUDE EXPLORATION OF A TEMPORARY HOMELESS SHELTER IN TRACY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On April 16, 2019, Council established an ad hoc committee to draft a strategic plan to address homelessness in Tracy. On June 18, 2019, the ad hoc committee provided an update to Council, and Council provided direction to staff to pursue Technical Assistance grant opportunities to develop the plan.

This agenda item requests that the Council adopt a resolution formally establishing the "Tracy Homelessness Strategic Plan Development Ad Hoc Committee" and consider broadening the scope of the ad hoc committee to include exploring the establishment of a temporary homeless shelter in Tracy.

DISCUSSION

Earlier this year, City Council established an ad hoc committee whose purpose is to develop a strategic plan to address homelessness in Tracy. Council members Rhodesia Ransom and Dan Arriola were selected to represent Council on the ad hoc committee.

The ad hoc committee recently met to discuss progress on the establishment of the strategic plan. Staff has secured technical assistance through the Technical Assistance Collaborative (TAC), a firm retained by the California Department of Housing and Community Development, to work with cities on capacity building. Staff and TAC are in the preliminary planning stages to conduct on site meetings with community stakeholders to appropriately address Tracy's homelessness needs.

During the ad hoc committee's recent discussions, the topic of temporary homeless shelters in Tracy emerged. Because the current scope of the ad hoc committee is limited to the development of a strategic plan, staff is requesting Council discuss and provide direction on expanding the ad hoc committee's scope to include exploring having a temporary homeless shelter in Tracy. Such exploration may include assessing the financial and logistical feasibility of establishing a temporary homeless shelter in Tracy. The ad hoc committee would return to Council with its findings and recommendations for further consideration.

Additionally, as a matter of practice, staff is recommending that Council formally establish the Tracy Homelessness Strategic Plan Development Ad Hoc Committee by adopting a resolution to clearly define the duration and scope of the committee.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

STRATEGIC PLAN

This agenda item is a routine operational item that does not relate to the Council's Strategic Plans.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends Council:

1. Adopt a resolution to formally establish the Tracy Homelessness Strategic Plan Development Ad Hoc Committee, and
2. Provide direction to staff regarding expanding the scope of the committee to include exploration of a temporary homeless shelter in Tracy.

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Approved by: Jenny Haruyama, City Manager

RESOLUTION 2019-_____

ESTABLISHING THE TRACY HOMELESSNESS STRATEGIC PLAN DEVELOPMENT
AD HOC COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, The City Council may establish advisory committees to address an explicit purpose or need, and

WHEREAS, Advisory committees that are of limited duration (typically no more than a year), and are comprised of less than three members are known as "ad hoc" committees and are not subject to the Ralph G. Brown Act's requirements, and

WHEREAS, Council desires to establish the Tracy Homelessness Strategic Plan Development Ad Hoc Committee effective April 16, 2019 through December 31, 2019, and

WHEREAS, The ad hoc committee will be comprised of two members of the City Council, and

WHEREAS, The purpose of the Tracy Homelessness Strategic Plan Development Ad Hoc Committee is to develop a strategic plan to address homelessness in Tracy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Tracy hereby establishes the Tracy Homelessness Strategic Plan Development Ad Hoc Committee for the purpose of developing a strategic plan to address homelessness in Tracy for City Council consideration by December 31, 2019.

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The Tracy City Council adopted the foregoing Resolution 2019- _____ on the 3rd day of September, 2019, by the following votes:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK