



City of Santa Ana
20 Civic Center Plaza, Santa Ana, CA 92701
Staff Report
May 21, 2024

TOPIC: Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Program Regional Coordination

AGENDA TITLE

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the County of Orange, Acting as the Eligible Applicant for the County of Orange and the Orange County Continuum of Care (CoC,) the City of Anaheim, the City of Irvine, and the City of Santa Ana for the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Program Regional Coordination

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Authorize the City Manager to execute the Memorandum of Understanding with the County of Orange, the City of Anaheim, and the City of Irvine to support regional coordination to address homelessness challenges, for a term beginning June 1, 2024 through June 30, 2028 (Agreement No. A-2024-XXX).

GOVERNMENT CODE §84308 APPLIES: Yes

DISCUSSION

The California Interagency Council on Homelessness (Cal ICH) recently provided guidance for applicants seeking HHAP Round 5 funding. This document requires a regional MOU that organizes and deploys the full array of homelessness programs and resources comprehensively and effectively outlines local efforts to increase regional coordination and clearly describes jurisdictional roles and responsibilities, joint coordination, and collaborative funding efforts to achieve greater alignment for HHAP jurisdictions receiving entities

In an effort to meet this requirement, staff from each of these jurisdictions worked together to draft an MOU for consideration by each government body. The MOU establishes a partnership on county-wide efforts to strengthen regional goals to address the needs of individuals and families experiencing homelessness as it relates to HHAP Round 5 funds. These goals will include working closely with the Orange County Continuum of Care and strengthening systemic efforts and processes to show a reduction in the number of persons experiencing homelessness or who become homeless annually, on a regional basis.

The County will be presenting this MOU (Exhibit 1) for approval to the Board of Supervisors on June 4th, following approval by the Continuum of Care Board on April

24, 2024. The City of Irvine received approval by their City Council to enter into an MOU for HHAP Round 5 in February 2024. The City of Anaheim plans to bring this item to its City Council on May 21, 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

EXHIBIT(S)

1. MOU HHAP Round 5

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Approved By: Alvaro Nuñez, Acting City Manager