



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Behavioral Wellness
Department No.: 043
For Agenda Of: March 14, 2023
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Antonette Navarro, LMFT, Director
Director(s) Department of Behavioral Wellness, 805-681-5220
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SUBJECT: **Approval to adopt revised resolutions authorizing the Department of Behavioral Wellness Director to act on behalf of the County in connection with the award of No Place Like Home Round 3 and Round 4 non-competitive funds**

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

A. Adopt a revised Resolution that:

1. Authorizes and directs the County's submission of a joint application with Sanctuary Centers of Santa Barbara, Inc. (Sanctuary) as developer-borrower to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (State HCD) for No Place Like Home (NPLH) Round 3 Noncompetitive Allocation funds for the proposed development of supportive affordable housing at 115 W. Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, California (APN 039-222-002); and
2. Authorizes and directs the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness or designee to act on behalf of the County in connection with the award of NPLH Round 3 Noncompetitive Allocation funds (Attachment A);

B. Adopt a revised Resolution that:

1. Authorizes and directs the County's submission of a joint application with Surf Development Company as developer and Cypress & 7th, L.P. as borrower, to the State HCD for NPLH Round 4 Noncompetitive Allocation funds for the proposed development of a supportive affordable housing project at 1401 East Cypress Avenue, Lompoc, California (APN 085-150-089); and

2. Authorizes and directs the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness or designee to act on behalf of the County in connection with the award of NPLH Round 4 Noncompetitive Allocation funds (Attachment B);
- C. Approve and authorize the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness or designee to execute on behalf of the County a Standard Agreement with State HCD and any subsequent amendments or modifications thereto, as well as any other documents which are related to the NPLH program or the NPLH program funds awarded to the County, as State HCD may deem appropriate;
 - D. Direct the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness or designee to return to the Board for further direction prior to exercising the authority deleted pursuant to Recommended Action A, B, and C;
 - E. Determine that the recommended actions:
 1. Are not a project subject to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to: CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(4), finding that the actions are the creation of a governmental funding mechanism or other government fiscal activity, which does not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment; and Public Resources Code section 21163.1, which states that a decision by a public agency to seek funding from the No Place Like Home Program does not constitute a “project”; and
 2. Are otherwise within the scope of the Notice of Exemption (NOE) adopted by the City of Santa Barbara and posted by the Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board on December 15, 2020, in which the City found that Sanctuary’s proposed development is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15332 because it consists of an Infill Development Project.

Summary:

This item is on the agenda to request approval of two revised NPLH Resolutions, in which the language “Alice Gleghorn, PhD, Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness, or her designee” and “Alice Gleghorn or her designee” is replaced with “the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness, or designee.” State HCD requires this change to accept grant-related reports and any other document needing a formalized signature.

Background:

State HCD released Notices of Funding Availability (NOFAs) for approximately \$190 million in Noncompetitive Allocation funds under the No Place Like Home Program. The NPLH Program funds the development of permanent supportive housing for persons in need of mental health services and are experiencing homelessness, chronic homelessness, or are at risk of chronic homelessness.

On January 12, 2021 and March 2, 2021, the Board adopted Resolutions No. 21-1 and No. 21-29, respectively, for Noncompetitive Allocation funds. These resolutions authorized the Department of Behavioral Wellness (BWell) to apply for and accept the NPLH Program funds and authorized and directed “Alice Gleghorn, PhD, Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness, or her designee” or “Alice Gleghorn or her designee” to act on behalf of the County in connection with the award of NPLH funds.

BWell submitted applications to State HCD for the Hollister II and Cypress & 7th projects. On June 23, 2021, State HCD announced that BWell and Sanctuary Centers of Santa Barbara had been awarded a NPLH Program, Noncompetitive Allocation, Round 3, award in the amount of \$450,000. On June 28, 2022, State HCD announced that BWell and Cypress & 7th L.P. had been awarded a NPLH Program, Round 4, award in the amount of \$632,696.

On December 13, 2021, Antonette Navarro, LMFT, was appointed the new Director of BWell. Both of the above-named resolutions (No. 21-1 and No. 21-29) specifically named Dr. Alice Gleghorn as the authorized representative. The proposed revised resolutions replace the language “Alice Gleghorn, PhD, Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness, or her designee” and “Alice Gleghorn or her designee” with “the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness, or designee.” Approval of the recommended actions will allow for State HCD to accept grant-related reports and any other document needing a formalized signature.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

There are no new fiscal impacts associated with approval of the revised Resolutions.

Special Instructions:

Please return one (1) Minute Order and one (1) complete copy of each executed Resolution to Bethany Le at bethle@sbcbwell.org and to the BWell Contracts Division at bwelcontractsstaff@sbcbwell.org.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Revised NPLH Round 3 Noncompetitive Resolution (Hollister II)

Attachment B: Revised NPLH Round 4 Noncompetitive Resolution (Cypress & 7th)

Attachment C: City of Santa Barbara CEQA NOE

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