



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: April 2, 2024
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
Contact Info: Laura Zeitz, Interim Assistant Director
Department of Behavioral Wellness, 805-681-5220
SUBJECT: Resolution Superseding Resolution Nos. 19-321 and 20-174 regarding
Authorization to Participate in the No Place Like Home (NPLH) Program
Round 2 Competitive Allocation Funds - Hollister Lofts (Supervisorial District 2)

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence:

N/A

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Adopt a Resolution that:
 - i) Authorizes, ratifies, and directs the County's submission of a joint application with the Housing Authority of the County of Santa Barbara (HACSB) as developer-borrower to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (State HCD) for No Place Like Home (NPLH) program Round 2 Competitive Allocation funds for the proposed development of supportive affordable housing in the 4500 block of Hollister Avenue, Santa Barbara, California (APN 061-040-030);
 - ii) Authorizes, ratifies, 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 2 Competitive Allocation funds; and
 - iii) Supersedes Resolution Nos. 19-321 and 20-174;
- b) 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;

- c) 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 under Recommended Actions A and B above; and
- d) Determine that the recommended actions are not a project subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under 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.”

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda to request approval of a revised No Place Like Home (NPLH) Resolution in which the language “Dr. Alice Gleghorn, Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness, or her designee” found in Resolution Nos. 19-321 and 20-174 is replaced with “the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness, or a designee.” The California Department of Housing and Community Development (State HCD) requires this change in order to enter into agreements, accept grant-related reports and accept any other documents needing a formalized signature.

Background:

California Department of Housing and Community Development (State HCD) released a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) dated September 27, 2019 for approximately \$622 million in Competitive Allocation funds under the No Place Like Home Program (NPLH Program). The NPLH Program funds the development of permanent supportive housing for persons in need of mental health services and who are experiencing homelessness, chronic homelessness, or are at risk of chronic homelessness.

On December 17, 2019, the Board adopted Resolution No. 19-321 for Competitive Allocation funds related to the Hollister Lofts under the NPLH Program. This resolution authorized the Department of Behavioral Wellness (BWell) to apply for and accept the NPLH Program funds and authorized and directed “Dr. Alice Gleghorn, Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness, or her designee” to act on behalf of the County in connection with the award of NPLH funds.

On September 15, 2020, the Board adopted revised Resolution No. 20-174 for Competitive Allocation funds related to the Hollister Lofts under the NPLH Program. This resolution authorized BWell to apply for and accept the NPLH Program funds and authorized and directed “Dr. Alice Gleghorn, Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness, or his or her designee” to act on behalf of the County in connection with the award of NPLH funds.

On December 13, 2021, Antonette Navarro, LMFT, was appointed the new Director of BWell. Resolution No. 20-174 specifically named Dr. Alice Gleghorn as the authorized representative of BWell. State HCD is now requiring a change to the resolution to reflect the new Director of BWell. The proposed revised resolution is to replace the language “Dr. Alice Gleghorn, Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness, or his or her designee” with “the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness, or a designee.” Approval of the recommended actions will allow for State HCD to enter into agreements with County and accept grant-related reports and any other documents requiring a formalized signature.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

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

Special Instructions:

Please return one (1) Minute Order and one (1) complete copy of the executed Resolution to Michael Purvis at mpurvis@sbcbswell.org and to the BWell Contracts Division at bwellcontractsstaff@sbcbswell.org.

Attachments:

Attachment A: No Place Like Home Hollister Lofts Round 2 Resolution Revision

Attachment B: Resolution No. 20-174

Attachment C: Resolution No. 19-321

Authored by:

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