

Legislation Text

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Consider recommendations regarding approval for the County of Santa Barbara to submit a joint application for State No Place Like Home (NPLH) non-competitive funds with the Housing Authority of Santa Barbara County (HACSB) and enter into a Memorandum of Understanding for the Cypress and 7th proposed supportive housing project; adopt a Resolution authorizing the Department of Behavioral Wellness to act on behalf of the County in connection with an award of NPLH funds; and approve a conditional reservation of \$632,696.00 for the Cypress and 7th proposed supportive housing project, Fourth District, as follows:

a) Approve a conditional reservation of \$632,696.00 of NPLH non-competitive funds, inclusive of the initial \$550,000.00 conditional allocation, to the HACSB for the proposed development of supportive affordable housing at 1401 East Cypress Avenue, Lompoc, California (APN 085-150-089) to be set aside through September 30, 2021, and direct and authorize the Director of Behavioral Wellness to execute such letter;

b) Adopt a Resolution that:

i) Authorizes the County to submit a joint application with the HACSB as developer-borrower to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (State HCD) for NPLH non-competitive loan funds for the proposed development of a supportive affordable housing project at 1401 East Cypress Avenue, Lompoc, California (APN 085-150-089);

ii) If funds are awarded, authorizes and directs the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness, or her designee, to act on behalf of the County in connection with an award of NPLH non-competitive program funds;

c) Authorize and direct the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness, or her designee, to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the HACSB and Cypress and 7th, L.P. for Behavioral Wellness to provide supportive services for a minimum of twenty years to NPLH tenants at the supportive affordable housing project located at 1401 East Cypress Avenue, Lompoc, California (APN 085-150-089);

d) Direct the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness, or her designee, to return to the Board for further direction prior to exercising the authority delegated to her pursuant to Recommended Action B; and

e) Determine that the above recommended actions 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".