

## **RESOLUTION NO. 40630**

A RESOLUTION relating to public health and safety; authorizing the execution of an amendment to the agreement with Low Income Housing Institute, in the amount of \$775,667, budgeted from Housing and Urban Development Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funds and CARES Act funding from Pierce County, to expand temporary shelter bed capacity by developing and managing a temporary emergency micro-shelter site, located at East 60th Street and McKinley Avenue, through December 31, 2020.

WHEREAS, in May of 2017, the City declared a state of emergency relating to homelessness, to mitigate the impacts of unauthorized homeless encampments, and enable processes to address the public health and safety risk encampments posed to both the inhabitants of the encampments, and the surrounding community, and

WHEREAS the Annual Point-in-Time Count conducted in January 2020 reported 544 homeless individuals in the City, with 158 of these individuals being unsheltered, and

WHEREAS in December of 2019, the City established a temporary emergency micro-shelter site at South 8th Street and Martin Luther King Jr. Way, which has 22 micro-shelter units and serves up to 32 individuals at a time, that is located on property owned by Mercy Housing under a lease through July of 2020, and is operated by the Low Income Housing Institute ("LIHI"), and

WHEREAS in order to continue to serve individuals experiencing homelessness, the City will need to relocate the existing micro-shelter and expand temporary shelter capacity to serve additional individuals under COVID-19 non-congregate shelter directives, and



WHEREAS the Temporary Emergency Micro-Shelter Site ("TEMS") located at 623 East 60th Street, will provide 50 furnished micro-shelters with a 65-person site capacity, common areas, case management, and other supportive services for individuals who are currently experiencing homelessness, with a goal to stabilize and transition homeless individuals to permanent housing that meets their needs, and

WHEREAS the TEMS site location is currently owned by the Tacoma Housing Authority, which will allow access to the City for the use of the property at no cost through December of 2021, and under this agreement, LIHI will provide 24-hour on-site support and operations management seven days a week; Now, Therefore,

## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

Section 1. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to execute an amendment to the agreement with Low Income Housing Institute, in the amount of \$775,667, budgeted from Housing and Urban Development Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funds and CARES Act funding from Pierce County, to expand temporary shelter bed capacity by developing and managing a temporary emergency micro-shelter site, located at East 60th Street and McKinley Avenue, through December 31, 2020.



Section 2. That the City Manager, or designee, is hereby authorized to take and execute any additional measures or documents that may be necessary to complete this transaction which are consistent with the approved form of documents referenced by this Resolution, and the intent of this Resolution. Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor Attest: City Clerk Approved as to form: City Attorney