

RESOLUTION 2017-11-15 (4)

Date:

November 15, 2017

To:

THA Board of Commissioners

From:

Michael Mirra, Executive Director

Re:

Crisis Residential Center Development on Arlington Property: HUD Disposition

Amendment

Purpose

The purpose of this resolution is to authorize Tacoma Housing Authority's (THA) Executive Director to submit an amended disposition request to Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the development of a Crisis Residential Center (CRC) for youth experiencing homelessness on the Arlington Drive property in Salishan.

Background

The THA Board of Commissioners adopted resolutions 2016-06-22 (5) and 2017-2-22 (2) that together authorize THA to use Arlington Drive develop, among other facilities, a licensed Crisis Residential Center (CRC) for homeless youth ages 12 to 17 years.

Some of these youth will come from the streets. Some will come from the state's dependency system. Some will come from the county's juvenile justice system. The center will provide a therapeutic, home-like setting staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The services at the home will meet all of the basic needs of the children: transportation to school and other scheduled appointments, individual and group counseling, meals, clothing, hygiene supplies, and assistance in accessing medical and dental services.

These resolutions allowed THA to begin negotiations with the City of Tacoma and Pierce County over costs. The City and the County agreed to pay the cost of design and construction. THA began discussions with Community Youth Services (CYS) to operate this facility. Right now, CYS is operating a CRC at THA's Bismark House.

THA will own the land and the structure. Yet it is still necessary to submit an amended disposition request to HUD for the use of the Arlington Drive property for this purpose. This resolution will authorize the executive director to do that.

Recommendation

Approve the resolution to authorize THA's Executive Director to submit an amended disposition request to HUD for the development of a Crisis Residential Center for youth experiencing homelessness on the Arlington Drive property.

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A **RESOLUTION** of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Tacoma:

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners authorized the use of Arlington Drive to a youth campus to include a Crisis Residential Center/HOPE bed facility for homeless youth; and

WHEREAS, By resolution 2017-2-22(2), the Board of Commissioners authorized the terms of the agreement with the City to state that THA would own the land, not lease it to the City for the purpose of developing a youth home; and

WHEREAS, It is necessary to submit an amended disposition request to HUD for the use of the Arlington Drive property for this purpose; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Tacoma, Washington as follows:

Authorize THA's Executive Director to submit an amended disposition request to HUD for the development of a Crisis Residential Center for youth experiencing homelessness on the Arlington Drive property.

Approved: November 15, 2017