

RESOLUTION 2023-01-25 (4)

Date: January 25, 2023

To: THA Board of Commissioners

From: April Black
Executive Director

Re: Korean Women's Association 15th & Tacoma Senior Housing—Conversion of HUD-VASH Vouchers to Project Based VASH Vouchers

This resolution authorizes the conversion of fifteen (15) Housing and Urban Development-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) vouchers to project-based VASH vouchers at the new Korean Women's Association (KWA) 15th & Tacoma Senior Housing project.

BACKGROUND

KWA's 15th & Tacoma Senior Housing project will provide 86 units of affordable housing in downtown Tacoma. The project will include 47 studio units and 39 one-bedroom units on site services and programs. All units will be leased to families and individuals with incomes at or below 50% of area median income. The projected completion date is May 1, 2024.

The Department of Veterans Affairs American Lake Division strongly supports this project and THA's commitment to convert 15 tenant-based HUD-VASH vouchers into Project-Based HUD-VASH vouchers for this project.

HUD approval is not required for this conversion. However, a letter of support from the Department of Veterans Affairs Puget Sound Health Care System (American Lake Division) is needed prior to this action, stating it is in support of the decision and committing to continued provision of care management services. On May 11, 2021, THA received letter of support from the VA, meeting HUD's only requirement for conversion of these vouchers (see Exhibit A). THA and the VA have a strong working relationship, which will streamline

the referral of households to occupy the fifteen (15) Project Based VASH units set aside at KWAs 15th and Tacoma senior housing project.

RECOMMENDATION

Approve Resolution 2023-01-25 (4) authorizing the conversion of fifteen (15) HUD-VASH Vouchers to Project-Based VASH Vouchers at KWA's new 15th & Tacoma Senior Housing project.



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

WHEREAS, KWA's 15th & Tacoma project will provide 86 units of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, KWA's 15th & Tacoma project will house very-low-income and extremely low-income households in our community; and

WHEREAS, THA has underutilized HUD-VASH vouchers available; and

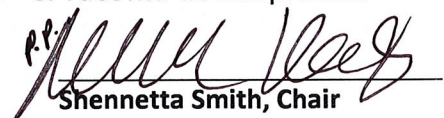
WHEREAS, THA is committed to providing housing for homeless veterans in our community; and

WHEREAS, THA and the Department of Veterans Affairs Puget Sound Health Care System (American Lake Division) agree that the conversion of these HUD-VASH vouchers will provide an additional housing option for many homeless veterans in our community; now, therefore, be it

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

THA's Executive Director is authorized to approve the conversion of fifteen (15) HUD-VASH vouchers to Project-Based VASH vouchers at KWA's new 15th & Tacoma development.

Approved: January 25, 2023


Shennetta Smith, Chair