RESOLUTION NO.	

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF OLYMPIA AND THURSTON COUNTY FOR SHARING COSTS OF ACQUISITION, PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT, AND OPERATIONS OF PROPERTY LOCATED ON FRANZ ANDERSON ROAD

WHEREAS, RCW 39.34.010 permits local governmental units to make the most efficient use of their powers by enabling them to cooperate with other localities on a basis of mutual advantage and thereby to provide services and facilities in a manner and pursuant to forms of governmental organization that will accord best with geographic, economic, population and other factors influencing the needs and development of local communities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 39.34.080, each party is authorized to contract with any one or more other public agencies to perform any governmental service, activity, or undertaking which each public agency entering into the contract is authorized by law to perform: provided, that such contract shall be authorized by the governing body of each party to the contract and shall set forth its purposes, powers, rights, objectives and responsibilities of the contracting parties; and

WHEREAS, unsheltered and unmanaged homelessness constitutes a public health emergency that requires the City and the County to coordinate their resources and actions to work together to abate detrimental effects that threaten public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, neither the City nor the County have sufficient resources to address the ongoing impacts or needs of unsheltered homelessness without mutual cooperation; and

WHEREAS, there currently is no shelter or sanctioned safe parking area to address the needs and impacts of individuals living in recreational vehicles, automobiles, and trailers on public streets and rights-of-way; and

WHEREAS, vehicle camping along Ensign Road is detrimental to the health and safety of the individuals living there and to surrounding businesses, property owners, and visitors; and

WHEREAS, vehicle camping along Ensign Road is also having unacceptable adverse impacts on operations at Providence St. Peter Hospital, the County's largest regional health care provider; and

WHEREAS, vehicle camping along Ensign Road is having unacceptable negative impacts on emergency medical first responders accessing Providence St. Peter Hospital and its emergency facilities, and is also posing a danger to vehicle campers parked along Ensign Road; and

WHEREAS, vehicle camping along Ensign Road is negatively impacting the ability of public transit vehicles to safely navigate Ensign Road; and

WHEREAS, vehicle camping along Ensign Road is also negatively impacting the ability of the public to use Ensign Road and the bicycle lanes and sidewalks in that roadway, preventing safe access and use; and

WHEREAS, vehicle camping along Ensign Road is having negative impacts on surrounding wetlands and streams caused by environmental contamination due to solid waste and effluent draining into waters therein; and

WHEREAS, a safe parking site is needed to address these concerns so that persons who are homeless and living in their recreational vehicles, automobiles, and trailers have a lawful place to temporarily park; and

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2021, the City and the County entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) agreeing to jointly and equally share in the costs of purchase, development of the Franz Anderson property; jointly provide and coordinate funding support through the Regional Housing Council (RHC) for ongoing management of the facility for three years, provided that funding support is provided by the RHC; and prepare all necessary agreements to achieve the goals of the MOU; and

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2021, OLYMPIA entered into a Real Estate Purchase and Sale Agreement for the purchase of real property located on Franz Anderson Road SE, Olympia, Washington, which is suitable for a temporary safe parking site in the short-term and a permanent supportive housing facility or an affordable housing development in the long-term; and

WHEREAS, the City and the County wish to enter into an Interlocal Agreement to jointly and equally share the costs of the purchase and development of the property located on Franz Anderson Road SE to create a temporary safe parking site for homeless persons vehicle camping along Ensign Road and other places in the City and the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL DOES HEREBY RESOLVE as follows:

1. The Olympia City Council hereby approves the form of Interlocal Agreement between the City of Olympia and Thurston County for sharing costs of acquisition, planning, development, and operations of property located on Franz Anderson Road and the terms and conditions contained therein.

Interlocal Agreement, and any other documents necessary to execute said Agreement, and to make any amendments or minor modifications as may be required and are consistent with the intent of the Agreement, or to correct any scrivener's errors.			
PASSED BY THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL this	day of	2022.	
	MAYOR		
ATTEST:	MAYOR		
CITY CLERK			
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APPROVED AS TO FORM:			
Mark Barber CITY ATTORNEY			

2. The City Manager is authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the City of Olympia the