



## City Council

# Approval of a Resolution Authorizing a Lease Agreement with Catholic Community Services for the Quince Street Village Tiny Home Project

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### Title

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### Recommended Action

#### Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

#### City Manager Recommendation:

Move to approve a Resolution Authorizing a Lease Agreement with Catholic Community Services for the Quince Street Village Tiny Home Project.

### Report

#### Issue:

Whether to approve a Resolution Authorizing a Lease Agreement with Catholic Community Services for the Quince Street Village Tiny Home Project.

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#### Presenter(s):

None - Consent Calendar Item

### Background and Analysis:

In January 2019, the City of Olympia opened the Mitigation Site at Franklin Street and Olympia Avenue to provide tent sites for individuals experiencing homelessness. The Mitigation Site was established to improve safety and access to services for unsheltered individuals and couples, and to reduce the impact of scattered encampments to downtown residents and businesses.

In April 2020, the City contracted with Catholic Community Services (CCS) to operate and manage the site. Over time, many site and service improvements have been added, including: construction of

tiny home units to replace tents, hygiene units with plumbed restroom facilities, and data entry of participants into Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) to track outcomes.

In October 2021, the City used American Rescue Act funds to purchase the former Quality Inn property located at 1215 Quince Street. Site preparation and infrastructure work is underway. In the short term, the residents of the current Mitigation Site will be relocated to 1215 Quince Street to establish a temporary tiny home village. In the longer term, affordable and/or supportive housing will be constructed at the site.

The City plans to lease the property to CCS. In their role as lessee, CCS will establish program rules for the new site and will perform routine maintenance duties.

**Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):**

There is significant public interest in homelessness and the City's homeless response efforts. Three community meetings have been hosted by the City to address community concerns and questions about the Quince Street Village tiny house project. Each meeting drew significant attendance.

**Options:**

1. Move to approve to approve a Resolution Authorizing a Lease Agreement with Catholic Community Services for the Quince Street Village Tiny Home Project.
2. Modify the lease agreement before moving to approve a Resolution Authorizing a Lease Agreement with Catholic Community Services for the Quince Street Village Tiny Home Project. (This action would impact timing of the planned move and opening of the site).
3. Do not approve a Resolution Authorizing a Lease Agreement with Catholic Community Services for the Quince Street Village Tiny Home Project, directing staff to take other action. (This action would impact timing of the planned move and opening of the site).

**Financial Impact:**

The City of Olympia will lease the property to Catholic Community Services for an annual cost of One Dollar (\$1) per year based and the public benefit to the homeless individuals sheltered on the property.

**Attachments:**

Resolution  
Agreement