



Finance Committee

Homeless Response Funding and Expenditure Update

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Title

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Receive an update on 2019 homeless response funding and expenditures. Briefing only; No action requested.

Report

Issue:

Whether to receive an update on 2019 homeless response funding and expenditures.

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Background and Analysis:

In July 2018, the City of Olympia declared a state of public health emergency related to homelessness. Since then the City has taken several responsive steps, including establishing a mitigation site, tiny house village, secure storage facility, city and faith community pilot project, helping fund 24/7 shelters, funding and planning a permanent supportive housing project on Martin Way, and kicking off a public process to develop long term strategies and actions.

Staff will present an overview of 2019 homeless response projects, costs, outcomes and funding sources. The **attached** pages from the 2019 Operating Budget outline budgeted resources and

estimated project costs.

Staff will also discuss House Bill 1406, which initiated a sales tax revenue sharing program for local governments to use toward housing investments. Staff will review the steps the City must take to participate, and options for how the City could use the funds.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

Homelessness is of considerable concern to the community.

Options:

Briefing only. No action requested.

Financial Impact:

Budgeted resources and estimated project costs are attached.

Attachments:

Budget and Estimated Costs

HB-1406 Summary

Homeless Response webpage