

CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
AGENDA ITEM DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM

DEPARTMENT: Community and Human Development
AGENDA DATE: August 6, 2019
CONTACT PERSON/PHONE: Nicole Ferrini, Director (915) 212-1659
DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All Districts

SUBJECT:

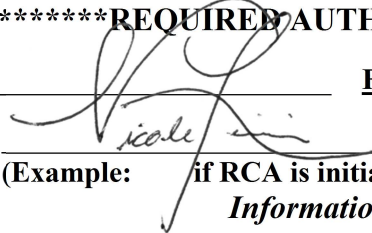
Council Requested Update regarding funding options for overnight shelters under the direction of the Opportunity Center for the homeless and other emergency shelters.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

The department of Community and Human Development in partnership with the El Paso Coalition for the Homeless and a multiple homeless service providers have been working toward long term solutions aimed at reaching functional zero homelessness in El Paso. A presentation was given to City Council in ____ providing an overview of the ecosystem of services available to aid persons experiencing homelessness. The presentation also illustrated the multiple challenges and points of intervention required to a comprehensive solutions. This update is directed specifically at the emergency shelter component of the ecosystem and provides short, mid and long term recommendations for 1) Establishing a Community Crisis Response Plan for Homeless Services 2) Alleviate existing pressure on emergency shelter programs by expanding access to housing options and support services. 3) Work directly with emergency shelter programs to streamline process and increase service capacity across the ecosystem.

*******REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION*******

LEGAL: (if required) _____ **FINANCE:** (if required) _____

DEPARTMENT HEAD: _____
(Example:  if RCA is initiated by Purchasing, client department should sign also)
Information copy to appropriate Deputy City Manager

APPROVED FOR AGENDA:

CITY MANAGER: _____

DATE: _____