

## **RESOLUTION**

### **RESOLUTION ALLOCATING UP TO \$243,000 IN CITY GENERAL FUNDS AND APPROVING AGREEMENTS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH CITY RESCUE MISSION, SALVATION ARMY, CITY CARE, AND THE HOMELESS ALLIANCE TO SUPPORT OVERNIGHT WINTER OVERFLOW SHELTER SERVICES FOR THE 2022-23 WINTER SEASON, RETROACTIVE TO NOVEMBER 1, 2022 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2023.**

**WHEREAS**, annually during periods of extreme weather, Oklahoma City's shelters provide extra beds with fewer entry requirements to get as many people as possible out of the cold; and

**WHEREAS**, over the course of the Covid-19 Pandemic, service organizations have seen an increased need for winter shelter capacity, along with a need for greater security and more staff at high-capacity facilities, to ensure a safe environment for service recipients and staff; and

**WHEREAS**, winter is a particularly dangerous time of year to live outdoors, and prior to the development of coordinated Winter Shelter Plans, the City regularly saw deaths of homeless residents during the winter months due to hypothermia or fires in vacant properties; and

**WHEREAS**, winter-related deaths and injuries have dropped significantly since the development of coordinated winter programming, and these City funds will allow high-capacity shelter facilities to provide those services again this year; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has waived competitive bidding for these services, as the organizations providing shelter services pursuant to this funding are the only ones large enough to safely accommodate the number of people in need; and

**WHEREAS**, funds will be provided in the total amount of up to \$243,000 and will allow the facilities to collectively expand the overall capacity by 120 beds on nights that are 32 degrees Fahrenheit and below, and up to 250 to 300 beds during an extremely severe weather event, and provide more secure shelter services every night throughout the winter; and

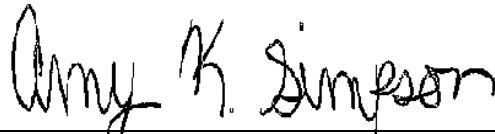
**WHEREAS**, the Agreements provide for the reimbursement of expenses related to overnight winter shelter activities with City Rescue Mission in an amount up to \$60,000; Salvation Army in an amount up to \$20,000; City Care in an amount up to \$91,000, and Homeless Alliance in an amount up to \$72,000;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and the City Council of The City of Oklahoma City that;

- 1) An amount up to Two hundred and forty-three thousand dollars (\$243,000) is allocated from the City's General Funds to support overnight winter overflow services for the 2022-2023 winter season: and
- 2) The Agreements for Professional Services with City Rescue Mission, Salvation Army, City Care and the Homeless Alliance be approved; and


**ADOPTED** by the Council and **APPROVED** by the Mayor of the City of Oklahoma City this 6th day of December 2022.

**ATTEST:**

  
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CITY CLERK



**THE CITY OF OKLAHOMA CITY**

  
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MAYOR

**REVIEWED** for form and legality.

  
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ASSISTANT MUNICIPAL COUNSELOR