

AGENDA BILL

City Council Meeting – May 5, 2026

Subject: Intergovernmental Agreement- PATH Project

Category: Action Item-Other Business

Staff Contacts: Brandon Hammond, City Manager

Summary:

This amended intergovernmental agreement continues Project PATH as a regional homeless response partnership among Umatilla County and the cities of Umatilla, Hermiston, Echo, Stanfield, Boardman, and Irrigon. It establishes Umatilla as the fiscal and managerial lead, with a Homeless Response Office guided by a public Homeless Response Advisory Board and Director services currently provided through Stepping Stones Alliance. Beginning FY2026, the parties agree to fund ongoing operations, with annual budgets capped at \$750,000 in FY26, \$787,500 in FY27, and \$826,875 in FY28, reduced by eligible state, federal, private, or grant funding received for operations. Boardman’s estimated share is 3% annually, while Umatilla, Hermiston, and Umatilla County each contribute 31%. The agreement runs from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2028, prohibits voluntary withdrawal during that initial term, renews automatically for 24-month periods, and includes termination fee obligations through 2032 if the agreement ends or a party withdraws.

Attachment:

IGA Contract

Budget/Fiscal Impact:

3% annually

Recommendation:

Approve

Proposed Council Motion:

“I move to approve City Manager Hammond sign the Intergovernmental Agreement for Project PATH.”