



STAFF REPORT

February 28, 2024
File Number 0610-90

SUBJECT

REVIEW OF CITY DATA REGARDING HOMELESSNESS

DEPARTMENT

City Manager's Office; Development Services Department; Police Department

RECOMMENDATION

Request the City Council receive and file an update on City data regarding homelessness.

Staff Recommendation: Receive and File (City Manager's Office: Christopher McKinney; Police Department: Ed Varso)

Presenter: Christopher McKinney, Deputy City Manager/ Interim Director of Development and Ed Varso, Chief of Police

ESSENTIAL SERVICE – Yes, Police Services; Fire/EMS Services; Keep City Clean for Public Health and Safety; Land Use/Development; Clean Water; Sewer; Public Works/Infrastructure; Maintenance of Parks facilities/Open Spaces

COUNCIL PRIORITY – Eliminate Structural Deficit; Improve Public Safety; Increase Retention and Attraction of People and Businesses to Escondido; Encourage Housing Development

PREVIOUS ACTION

On February 15, 2023, the City Council received and filed an update from staff regarding the City's efforts to address homelessness.

On March 8, 2023, the City Council voted unanimously to create an Ad-Hoc Subcommittee on Homelessness and appointed Mayor Dane White and Councilmember Joe Garcia to serve on it.

BACKGROUND

Data pertaining to the City's efforts to address homelessness is available online at the following link: <https://escondido.org/homeless>