

<u>Title</u>: Letter of Support of Hospitality House Application for California Department of Health and Human Services Community Care Expansion Program

<u>**Recommendation</u></u>: That Council 1) Review and approve the attached letter of support for the Hospitality House Expansion Project for the Sierra Guest Home for California Department of Health and Human Services Community Care Expansion Program; and 2) authorize the Mayor to sign the letter.</u>**

Prepared by: Timothy M. Kiser, City Manager
Council Meeting Date: 02/22/2022

Date Prepared: 02/17/2022

Agenda: Consent

Background Information: In January, the California Department of Health and Human Services Community Care Expansion Program (CCE) released a request for proposals providing funding for development and operations of facilities addressing the housing and service needs of seniors and adults with disabilities experiencing homelessness. Of the approximately \$500 million available statewide, \$16 million has been reserved for counties with populations of under 200,000.

Hospitality House proposes to request funding to expand the capacity of the Sierra Guest Home, adding an estimated 8 to 11 modular units of permanent supportive housing to serve homeless seniors. This would not be a change of use of the property, but an expansion of the currently allowed use. The request would be somewhere between \$2.5 and \$3 million dollars.

Since acquiring the Sierra Guest Home property in October 2021, Hospitality House has been looking for way to improve the buildings. Currently, there are three structures on the 0.20 acre property. The largest building on the parcel is the "main house," which offers 17 individual rooms with shared bathrooms and living space. The other two structures are worn down and essentially unusable. If awarded the grant funding, Hospitality House proposes to tear down the two structures on the right side of the parcel to add up to 11 units of permanent supportive housing for seniors and those with long-term disabilities (which are most often the same population). To expedite the rebuilding process, Hospitality House would likely use modular construction.

Hospitality House respectfully requests a letter of support from the City of Grass Valley to proceed with this project and looks forward to our continued collaboration.

<u>Council Goals/Objectives</u>: This action executes portions of work tasks towards achieving/maintaining Strategic Plan objectives of Community and Sense of Place.

Fiscal Impact: No Fiscal Impact on this item.

Funds Available: N/A

Account #: N/A

Reviewed by: Tim Kiser, City Manager

Attachments:

1. Letter of Support