

RESOLUTION NO. 5763-24

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH WASHINGTON COUNTY, AND THE CITIES OF TIGARD, AND SHERWOOD RELATING TO FUNDING FOR A HOMELESS SERVICES SYSTEM CITY LIAISON AND HOMELESS SERVICES CAPITAL PROJECTS

WHEREAS, ORS 190.010 authorizes units of local government to enter into agreements with each other to perform the functions and activities that each party has authority to perform; and

WHEREAS, in May 2020, voters within the Metropolitan Service District (“Metro”) passed a measure to fund both shelter and wraparound services for the Metro area homeless population. The purpose of the Supportive Housing Services (SHS) measure was to provide a funding mechanism to enable the provision of wraparound services through local government programs. Washington County is the recipient of Metro SHS funding for the unincorporated county and its incorporated cities, including Tualatin, Tigard, and Sherwood; and

WHEREAS, Washington County and its cities are embracing an opportunity to create a more clear and official structure for coordination and action on homelessness. This agreement between Washington County and Tualatin, Tigard, and Sherwood is intended to more clearly define roles and responsibilities to support program alignment and strategies that are working to make homelessness rare and brief in each of our cities, and across the entire county; and

WHEREAS, Washington County’s Department of Housing Services serves as the County’s Continuum of Care lead agency and is the sole recipient of regional tax funding for supportive housing services. However, city jurisdictions must navigate the challenges of homelessness through their provision of city services such as libraries, law enforcement, economic development, and neighbor relations daily. Cities receive little to no external funding to support these daily challenges and do not have a clear role in the provision of homeless services; and

WHEREAS, the goal of this agreement is to support continued partnership between Tualatin, Tigard, Sherwood, and Washington County in addressing homelessness issues generally, and to coordinate in support of the strategies and homeless service system provided by community-based organizations, funded by the Washington County Division of Homeless Services, and delivered in the cities; and

WHEREAS, Washington County provides a coordinated system of services delivered through 20+ contracted services providers, and in order to support and enhance coordination of local issues related to homelessness, and homeless services provided across Washington County, this agreement is intended to provide funding to the cities for a Homeless Services System City Liaison staff position, and the coordination work related to this role; and

WHEREAS, this agreement is intended to provide the cities with staffing capacity to work with Washington County staff, and service providers in their jurisdiction, to ensure effective response and coordination in the provision of homeless services. This agreement does not pass funds for service provision through the City of Tigard to manage with third-party service providers; and

WHEREAS, this agreement may also provide funding for homeless services capital projects in the cities and funding for staff coordination to support these capital projects;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TUALATIN, OREGON, that:

**Section 1.** The City Manager is authorized to sign the Intergovernmental Agreement identified in Exhibit A.

**Section 2.** This resolution is effective immediately upon passage by the City Council.

Adopted by the City Council this 25<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2024.

CITY OF TUALATIN, OREGON

BY \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

ATTEST:

BY \_\_\_\_\_  
City Recorder