

TO: City Council
FROM: John Doan
DATE: December 13, 2022
SUBJECT: Proposal for American Recovery Plan (ARP) Housing Funding

1) Recommended Action:

Provide guidance to staff for the investment of City-designated ARP funds for the Franz Anderson Permanent Support Housing Project.

2) Background:

On September 7, 2021, the City Council approved general spending allocations for the \$2,565,043 that the City received from the American Recovery Plan (ARP). Forty-three percent was assigned to housing projects and housing assistance, including \$550,000 for a "*Regional Housing Council (RHC) Affordable Housing Project*." These funds must be obligated by the end of 2024 and fully expended by the end of 2026. Thurston County and the City of Olympia have acquired a piece of property referred to as "Franz Anderson" within the City of Olympia. It would ultimately provide short-term shelter housing and permanent supportive housing. The attached PowerPoint presentation outlines a proposal for the region to construct that permanent supportive housing project. The question is whether Tumwater wants to invest some or all of its funds for this project. Thurston County Affordable Housing Program Coordinator Jacinda Steltjes will be present at the meeting to answer questions.

3) Policy Support:

23/24 Council Goals

- Support and advance intergenerational housing opportunities
 - Complete the Affordable Housing and Houselessness Action Plan
 - Update the Affordable Housing and Houselessness Action Plan
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4) Alternatives:

- ☐ Support a different eligible project with these funds.
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5) Fiscal Notes:

\$550,000 in ARP funds was designated for a regional housing project. These funds and the expenditure authority is in the budget for 23/24.

6) Attachments:

A. PowerPoint presentation - Franz Anderson Project RHC 10.26.22 version