

GARDEN GROVE CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE AUTHORIZING CITY STAFF TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA CITIES ORANGE COUNTY'S PLANNING EFFORTS REGARDING COUNTY-WIDE PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

WHEREAS, Orange County is in the midst of a homelessness crisis, with the number of unsheltered homeless individuals increasing by 54 percent in the last five years despite increasing expenditures to combat the issue;

WHEREAS, Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) is a nationally recognized model for responding to chronic homelessness, with studies showing PSH decreases chronic homelessness by 30 percent more than traditional, transitional housing or emergency shelter housing;

WHEREAS, a study conducted by United Way, Jamboree Housing, and UCI found that in Fiscal Year 2014-2015, cities in Orange County spent approximately \$120 million to address homelessness, more than a third of the total \$300 million spent throughout the entire county;

WHEREAS, that same study found that if all of Orange County's chronically homeless individuals were placed in PSH units it would have a cost-savings of \$42 million per year;

WHEREAS, the Association of California Cities, Orange County (ACC-OC) has initiated efforts for the purpose of planning for the addition of 2,700 PSH units in Orange County;

WHEREAS, ACC-OC has proposed to allocate the 2,700 PSH units among the 34 cities in the County and the County unincorporated areas; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Garden Grove desires for the City to be represented and to participate in the ACC-OC discussions about PSH units and PSH site locations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Garden Grove City staff is authorized to participate in ACC-OC meetings and discussions on the City's behalf about the potential allocations and potential siting locations of PSH units. City staff is not, however, authorized to commit the City to a proposed allocation or plan of site locations unless such allocation or plan is considered and approved by the City Council.