



Memorandum

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Meeting of: City Council

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TO: Members of the City Council
FROM: Mayor Angela Birney
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TITLE:

Approval of the Health through Housing Operational Agreement between the City of Redmond and King County

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

King County's Health Through Housing (HTH) is an initiative to create up to 1,600 units of emergency and permanent supportive housing across the County for people experiencing chronic homelessness. This has been accomplished through the purchase and conversion of hotels and similar facilities, including the former Silver Cloud Inn in the Overlake area of Redmond. Redmond Zoning Code 21.57 establishes siting criteria and use requirements for permanent supportive housing programs. One of these requirements is the approval of the Health Through Housing Operational Agreement between King County and the City of Redmond.

☒ **Additional Background Information/Description of Proposal Attached**

REQUESTED ACTION:

☐ **Receive Information** ☐ **Provide Direction** ☒ **Approve**

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**
Redmond Zoning Code Section 21.57.010; King County Health Through Housing Implementation Plan.
- **Required:**
Agreements between jurisdictions require Council approval.
- **Council Request:**
N/A
- **Other Key Facts:**
King County recently announced the operator of the Redmond HTH site. Approval of the Operational Agreement is one many requirements that must be met before the building can be occupied. In addition, the development

of a Community Relations Plan, Safety and Security Plan, and Program Code of Conduct are required. Redmond Zoning Code Chapter 21.57 specifies who approves these plans.

OUTCOMES:

King County Countywide Planning Policies have established housing targets for cities to accommodate future growth within the next 20 years. Under the Growth Management Act, cities are further required to plan for and accommodate housing affordable to all economic segments of the population, and this includes permanent supportive housing (PSH). Redmond's estimated need is 3,694 units of PSH. We recognize that this cannot be addressed by a single jurisdiction on their own, so Redmond is one of many cities in the region supporting King County as a partner in regional solutions like the Health Through Housing Initiative.

COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**
October 23, 2023 - January 8, 2024
- **Outreach Methods and Results:**
The City has convened a Community Advisory Group. Members were prioritized based on their proximity to the Health Through Housing location in Redmond and as subject matter experts. Representatives on the advisory group include local businesses, nearby community, nonprofit organizations, people with lived experience, and school district staff. This group is tasked with providing input into the development of the Community Relations Plan, the Program Code of Conduct, and the Safety and Security Plan.
- **Feedback Summary:**
Feedback will be gathered at subsequent meetings.

BUDGET IMPACT:

Total Cost:

There is no fiscal impact associated with Health Through Housing. Staff working on HTH are funded through the adopted budget

Approved in current biennial budget: ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Budget Offer Number:

0000037 - Housing and Human Services

Budget Priority:

Vibrant and Connected

Other budget impacts or additional costs: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

If yes, explain:

N/A

Funding source(s):

General Fund

Budget/Funding Constraints:

N/A

☐ **Additional budget details attached**

COUNCIL REVIEW:

Previous Contact(s)

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
11/14/2023	Committee of the Whole - Finance, Administration, and Communications	Provide Direction
11/21/2023	Special Meeting	Provide Direction

Proposed Upcoming Contact(s)

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
N/A	None proposed at this time	N/A

Time Constraints:

Timely approval will ensure that the building can open in early 2024.

ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:

Salvation Army is fast tracking efforts to design program operations and complete other required plans such as the Community Relations Plan. Not approving the Operational Agreement will significantly delay progress, ultimately impacting when residents can move in.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A: Operational Agreement