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Prepared by: Assembly Counsel  
For reading: July 26, 2022

**ANCHORAGE, ALASKA  
AR No. 2022-221(S)**

1 A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY  
2 REAPPROPRIATING NOT TO EXCEED TWO MILLION FIVE HUNDRED  
3 THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,500,000) PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED FOR  
4 OPERATIONAL COSTS FOR SHELTER, DAY CENTER AND/OR TREATMENT  
5 CENTER WITHIN THE ALCOHOL BEVERAGES RETAIL SALES TAX FUND  
6 (206000) AND APPROPRIATING NOT TO EXCEED ONE MILLION FIVE  
7 HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS \$1,720,000 [(\$1,500,000)] OF ALCOHOL  
8 BEVERAGES RETAIL SALES TAX FUND (206000) FUND BALANCE, TO BE  
9 USED AS A DIRECT GRANT TO UNITED WAY FOR RENTAL UNIT  
10 REHABILITATION, TO THE ANCHORAGE HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR  
11 EMERGENCY SHELTERING TO INCLUDE COLD WEATHER RESPONSE, AND  
12 TO THE ANCHORAGE COALITION TO END HOMELESSNESS TO BE USED FOR  
13 EXPANDED OUTREACH AND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES.  
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16 **WHEREAS**, the Anchorage Assembly approved on November 1, 2021, AR 2021-350,  
17 As Amended, which identified an exit strategy to end mass care and implement an  
18 integrated client and community centered approach to addressing homelessness; and  
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20 **WHEREAS**, the Anchorage Assembly approved on December 7, 2021, AO 2021-  
21 116(S), As Amended, to implement the mass care exit strategy adopted in AR 2021-  
22 350, As Amended; and  
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24 **WHEREAS**, housing unit availability and affordability continues to pose a significant  
25 challenge to housing individuals experiencing homelessness; and  
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27 **WHEREAS**, with the closure of the Sullivan Arena as a mass care facility, there are  
28 now approximately 350 unsheltered individuals experiencing homelessness in the  
29 Municipality of Anchorage (MOA), which include families with children for the first time  
30 in several years; and  
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32 **WHEREAS**, the Anchorage Coalition to End Homelessness (ACEH) currently has  
33 one-time funding (ESG-CV) through the Municipality to coordinate outreach services  
34 through September 2022, but after that time there is no direct funding from the MOA  
35 to coordinate or conduct outreach activities; and  
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37 **WHEREAS**, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has placed  
38 significant focus on outreach and housing first (unsheltered to housing) efforts in its  
39 2022-2027 strategic plan and with its recent release of a Special Notice of Funding  
40 Opportunity, however those funds won't be available until late fall at the earliest and  
41 the amount is not sufficient to meet the outreach needs of the increased number of  
42 individuals experiencing unsheltered homelessness in Anchorage; and  
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1 **WHEREAS**, a lack of access to transportation significantly hinders street outreach's  
2 ability to assist individuals in the steps required to secure housing, from obtaining  
3 documents to viewing units; and

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5 **WHEREAS**, the MOA has an obligation under Anchorage Municipal Code chapter  
6 16.120 to provide shelter to individuals experiencing homelessness when the outside  
7 temperature drops to 45 degrees Fahrenheit or below on the day when sheltering  
8 begins; and

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10 **WHEREAS**, appropriating funds at least one quarter before cold weather sheltering is  
11 required allows time for proper planning, procurement and coordination; and

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13 **WHEREAS**, family unsheltered homelessness could end with a year-round  
14 coordinated emergency sheltering plan; now, therefore,

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16 **THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY RESOLVES:**

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18 **Section 1.** That the sum of not to exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars  
19 (\$500,000) previously appropriated for operational costs for shelter, day center,  
20 and/or treatment center costs with the Alcohol Beverages Retail Sales Tax Fund  
21 (206000) is hereby reappropriated to be used as a direct grant to United Way for the  
22 Landlord Housing Partnership to pay for up to 60 rental units to be rehabilitated (up to  
23 \$2,500 per bedroom, per unit) and to pay for security deposits.

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25 **Section 2.** That the sum of not to exceed **One [TWO] Million Two Hundred**  
26 **Seventeen Thousand Dollars (\$1,217,000) [(\$2,000,000)]** previously appropriated  
27 for operational costs for shelter, day center, and/or treatment center costs with the  
28 Alcohol Beverages Retail Sales Tax Fund (206000) is hereby reappropriated to the  
29 Anchorage Health Department to be used through a competitive **Request for**  
30 **Proposals (RFP)** process to meet AMC ch. 16.120 requirements for **adult**  
31 emergency sheltering to include cold-weather response through the end of 2022. For  
32 purposes of this appropriation and preparing for compliance with AMC ch. 16.120,  
33 none of these funds shall be used for operational costs at the planned Navigation  
34 Center at Tudor and Elmore. **Prior to the release of funds through award of the**  
35 **RFP, the Anchorage Health Department must develop a written adult**  
36 **emergency shelter plan and present it at the August 2022 Assembly Housing**  
37 **and Homelessness Committee Meeting.**

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39 **Section 3.** **That the sum of not to exceed Three Hundred Fifty Thousand**  
40 **Dollars (\$350,000) is hereby appropriated from Alcohol Beverages Retail Sales**  
41 **Tax Fund (206000) fund balance to be used as a direct grant to Christian Health**  
42 **Associates to provide family emergency shelter services.**

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44 **Section 4.** **That the sum of not to exceed Four Hundred Thirty-Three**  
45 **Thousand Dollars (\$433,000) is hereby appropriated from Alcohol Beverages**  
46 **Retail Sales Tax Fund (206000) fund balance to be used as a direct grant to**  
47 **Catholic Social Services for Brother Francis Shelter to provide adult emergency**  
48 **shelter services.**

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50 **Section 5 [3].** That the sum of not to exceed One Million **Seven [FIVE]** Hundred

1 **Twenty** Thousand Dollars **(\$1,720,000) [(\$1,500,000)]** is hereby appropriated from  
 2 Alcohol Beverages Retail Sales Tax Fund (206000) fund balance to be used as a  
 3 direct grant to the Anchorage Coalition to End Homelessness for expanded outreach  
 4 to address the increased number of unsheltered individuals as well as targeted  
 5 outreach for families and to provide funding for transportation costs.

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 7 **Section 6 [4].** This resolution shall be effective immediately upon passage and  
 8 approval by the Assembly.

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 10 PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
 11 \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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 Chair of the Assembly

17 ATTEST:

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 21 Municipal Clerk



Municipality of Anchorage Assembly Memorandum

No. AM XXX-2022

Meeting Date: July 26, 2022

FROM: Assembly Members Perez-Verdia, Rivera and Volland
SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY REAPPROPRIATING NOT TO EXCEED TWO MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,500,000) PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED FOR OPERATIONAL COSTS FOR SHELTER, DAY CENTER AND/OR TREATMENT CENTER WITHIN THE ALCOHOL BEVERAGES RETAIL SALES TAX FUND (206000) AND APPROPRIATING NOT TO EXCEED ONE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS \$1,720,000 [(\$1,500,000)] OF ALCOHOL BEVERAGES RETAIL SALES TAX FUND (206000) FUND BALANCE, TO BE USED AS A DIRECT GRANT TO UNITED WAY FOR RENTAL UNIT REHABILITATION, TO THE ANCHORAGE HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR EMERGENCY SHELTERING TO INCLUDE COLD WEATHER RESPONSE, AND TO THE ANCHORAGE COALITION TO END HOMELESSNESS TO BE USED FOR EXPANDED OUTREACH AND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES.

The S-version of AR 2022-221 submitted with this memorandum makes the following changes: 1) increases the total amount used from the Alcohol Beverages Retail Sax Fund (20600) Fund Balance by \$220,000, 2) increases the total amount under Section 2 by \$220,000, and 3) more specifically reappropriates a portion of the \$2,000,000 for emergency shelter in the original version to specific service providers, adding Christian Health Associates and Catholic Social Services (Brother Francis Shelter) for family and adult emergency shelter, respectively.

We request your support for the resolution.

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