

ATTACHMENT 3:  
Staff's initial response to Council's May 22, 2014  
direction via Report to Council 14-0323, dated June 10, 2014

EXCERPT

Responses to Council Questions and Requests for Information  
from the FY 2014/15 Budget Workshop

**What would be the cost for the City setting up a cold weather shelter at the Community Center Gym for approximately 125 homeless for four months during the winter for FY 2014/15?**

Council requested that the same amount of funding previously provided by the City to subsidize County cold weather shelter operations at the Sunnyvale Armory be identified so that Council could consider adding these funds to its FY 2014/15 budget. That amount is \$15,217. Since those funds have been provided in the form of a Community Development Block Grant human services grant to Housing First (formerly the Emergency Housing Consortium), and since Council appropriates them on a two-year basis, there is already \$15,217 in the FY 2014/15 budget for this purpose, as approved by Council last year. In other words, no additional action beyond approving the City Manager's recommended budget is required to ensure this same level of funding is available for operation of a shelter.

Council also asked that staff identify other fiscal, as well as non-fiscal, issues related to the possible operation of a temporary cold weather shelter at the Community Center gymnasium for four months this coming winter. Staff is currently exploring related issues (e.g., physical site/building requirements; permitting/noticing requirements; impacts to existing facility users and adjacent residents; public safety/security issues; public/resident input; shelter service and management plan); and will return to Council at a later date with more information.