

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON**

RESOLUTION NO. _____

Approving a Lease of the Property Located at 6144 SE Foster Rd., Portland, Oregon.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- a. A Home for Everyone has set a goal of adding 650 permanent year-round shelter beds in Multnomah County, including shelter for single adults who would otherwise have no choice but to sleep outside. While we have created the target number of year-round beds, those beds are not all located at sites that can be used for shelter long term, and not all of the current sites offer the quality of shelter and services that we expect from our permanent year-round settings. The leasing of the property located at 6144 SE Foster Rd., Portland, Oregon (“Property”) will allow for further stabilization of our community’s year-round shelter capacity and increase the quality of emergency shelter and support services offered to unsheltered adults, many of whom are extremely vulnerable living on the streets.
- b. The Property was identified as part of an exhaustive search for existing buildings that meet the range of criteria for emergency shelter. It is the appropriate size and zoning for the proposed shelter. The existing building type and layout can be effectively converted to a shelter with appropriate on-site support services, offerings and outdoor space. The Property is located close to mass transit and near a variety of community amenities, including employment resources, educational resources, a community center, a library, etc.
- c. The shelter proposed for the site will be open and provide on-site sleeping, hygiene, property storage, and transition services to registered guests 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. This model provides a more stable and supportive environment for guests and reduces the potential impact on surrounding properties by eliminating queueing and the need for people to remain in the neighborhood with their belongings during the day. The shelter services are only available to registered guests who have reserved beds. There will not be walk-up day center services, reducing the risk that people without shelter will congregate or choose to camp near the shelter.
- d. As development of the shelter moves forward, the Joint Office of Homeless Services will continue to work with the immediate neighbors, the neighborhood and business associations, and schools to help shape the shelter program and address any concerns that arise once the shelter is in operation.
- e. It is in the best interests of the County to lease the Property on terms substantially in conformance with the lease attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Resolves:

1. The County Chair is authorized to execute a lease substantially in conformance with the lease attached hereto as Exhibit 1.
2. The County Chair is authorized to execute renewals of the lease and execute amendments to the lease without further Board action.

ADOPTED this ___ day of _____, 2018.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

Deborah Kafoury, Chair

REVIEWED:
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FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

By _____
Jed Tomkins, Senior Assistant County Attorney

Submitted by: Sherry Swackhamer, Director, Department of County Assets.