



The following information comprises the minutes for a special meeting of the City Council, a joint meeting of the Banning City Council and Banning Utility Authority and a joint meeting of the Banning City Council and the Banning City Council sitting in its capacity as the Successor Agency Board.

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL**

**09/07/2021
SPECIAL MEETING**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Colleen Wallace
Council Member Mary Hamlin
Council Member Kyle Pingree
Council Member Alberto Sanchez

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Council Member David Happe

OTHERS PRESENT: Doug Schulze, City Manager
Serita Young, Assistant City Attorney
Marie Calderon, City Clerk
Caroline Patton, Deputy City Clerk
Adam Rush, Community Development Director*
Ralph Wright, Parks and Recreation Director*
Art Vela, Public Works Director*
Tom Miller, Electric Utility Director*
Suzanne Cook, Finance Director*
Matthew Hamner, Chief of Police*
James Wurtz, Economic Development Manager*
Shiloh Rogers, Purchasing Manager*
Cherie Johnson, HR Manager*
Paul Lindley, Fire Marshal*
Jennifer Jackson, Grants Coordinator*
Shannon Mead, HR Technician*
Alejandro Geronimo, Treasurer*
Laurie Sampson, Executive Assistant*

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Wallace called the special meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call – *Council Members Hamlin, Pingree, Sanchez, and Mayor Wallace.*

COUNCIL MEMBER	PRESENT	ABSENT
Hamlin, Mary	×	
Happe, David		×
Pingree, Kyle	×	
Sanchez, Alberto	×	
Wallace, Colleen	×	

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

See comments listed below.

3. DISCUSSION ITEMS

3.1. Discussion of Homeless Emergency Shelter Village

Doug Schulze, City Manager, provided the staff report. Boomer Shannon of Riverside County introduced Greg Rodriguez of the Riverside County "Continuum of Care" Program and Karen Roper, Homeless Solutions Manager from the City of Corona. They both spoke on the topic of homeless shelters in Riverside County and what other cities and communities are doing to address these issues.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jamie Hendon asked about the budget for a shelter in the City and what the plan was in 5 years, 10 years, and so on. He said the Council serves at the citizens' request, and they're spending tax dollars on things the citizens don't want. He asked whose idea it was and said he was ashamed of the Council.

Yvette Flanagan asked the Council to have more dialogue with the community. She said the City did not have revenue for homeless services until growth occurs.

Sue Palmer spoke on behalf of others in opposition to a homeless shelter in Banning. She said she had spoken to someone who led a homeless shelter who told her they don't turn people around.

Jeanette Marlar presented a petition to Council from citizens requesting they not provide a homeless shelter in Banning. She asked the Council to continue this matter until the citizens get a chance to express their thoughts.

Bill Hobbs said he felt Beaumont should have to contribute to solving this mutual problem. He said it's a lot of work, but that the City should work together with the citizens to approach this issue.

Paul Perkins suggested a citizen's commission be convened on the topic and asked the City and citizens to go into the project with their eyes open.

Susan Savolainen spoke about her faith and the teachings of Jesus, as well as her fears the City was enabling the homeless.

"Team Mom" from Unity Ride for the Homeless shared her journey as a homeless person traveling the country helping other people in times of need.

John Hagen said the City did not need to house the homeless when they may go to a county shelter. He said that 9 out of 10 homeless don't want help, and those who do want help can get it. He said staff were trying to sneak a shelter into the City.

Bruce Patrick said that Banning has no extra money, and he suggested the City start paying local faith organizations to help the homeless. He said for the City to take this on is foolhardy and the community will not support it.

Paul Burkhart asked about the environmental impact of a homeless shelter. He expressed concern regarding the rumored sites to be under consideration. He asked Council to consider the environmental impact and conduct the appropriate studies.

Carol Albaugh of Faith in Action of the San Gorgonio Pass said homelessness is everyone's issue and not one organization's responsibility. She was in favor of a community advisory committee and starting small, with a navigation center, for example.

Tania Hershey said that the homeless individuals are not temporarily homeless but choose to be live that way, dumping trash and doing drugs.

Shannon Michael said she was disappointed that the City can't put the homeless on a bus out of the City when the people choose not to get better. She asked why the City would provide a nice place to live and asked if tents and cots were an option.

Assistant City Attorney Serita Young confirmed that a tent would not qualify as providing shelter under the Supreme Court precedent in *Martin v. Boise*.

Diego Rose told Council to listen and overcome their cognitive dissonance. He agreed homelessness would be increasing and that most communities are facing this issue. He said the City and County were trying to put a regional homeless shelter in the City of Banning.

Nancy Guthrie read a statement on behalf of others, stating that a homeless shelter would benefit all Banning residents. She asked the Council to reach out to nearby cities in Riverside and San Bernardino counties for information on their experiences with establishing transitional shelters for homeless.

Vickie Sellers asked several questions about the budget for the project. She asked the City Manager to reach out to the City of Beaumont about partnering on the homeless shelter.

James Miskofski shared his experiences with homeless individuals in Ontario. He said the City did not need this shelter and it wasn't right. He suggested taking the homeless individuals out to the Salton Sea.

Juanita Diaz asked why no representatives from the Riverside County Sheriff's Office were in attendance when they release people from the jail into the community. She said she wasn't sure who was in charge, and this is done behind citizens' backs. She complained about a local non-profit using storage space at the City-owned armory.

Mayor Wallace read a question she had received via text that asked if the City would work with CalTrans or the railroad to help address the right-of-way areas next to the freeway.

Mayor Wallace announced a recess at 7:21 p.m. The special meeting reconvened at 7:34 p.m.

Mayor Wallace said she wanted to restart the Community Advisory Committee with only six members, including four community members.

City Manager Schulze addressed several of the comments and questions from the public:

- The motion of the City Council was to conduct a Special City Council Meeting, not a community forum. Staff are following Council direction.
- A citizen suggested this item was "popped" on the Council and public, but from 2018 the City Council's direction was to act on the homeless problem in Banning. There was a Homeless Summit in 2019 with approximately 250 attendees and since then there has been countless complaints from business owners, homeowners, renters raised to the City and City Council.
- City Council is listening to residents, but all 30,000 residents don't attend the meetings. Most comments and complaints are received outside of City Council meetings and the Council listens every single day.
- In March 2020, Council directed staff to find shelter for 40 homeless individuals sleeping in the empty lot adjacent to the County courthouse.
- The City has \$180,000 in insurance funds and \$650,000 in grant funds that could be used for the project but expires in March 2022.
- The 22nd Street site is off the table, per Council's direction, and there is not a good alternate site in the City. He explained many of the undeveloped properties and so don't have addresses available to provide to the public as was requested by one commenter.
- Many of the people housed at Ramsey Street Village were lifelong residents and did not want to leave the City but couldn't find a way to support themselves in Banning.
- Many homeless individuals will refuse help, but to address the impacts of the homeless who don't want help, the City needs to offer shelter beds.
- The County has not approached the City with plans for a regional homeless shelter. The idea was shared with Mayor Wallace, who was clear about her strong opposition to the concept. No conversations are happening with the County regarding a regional shelter.

- Residents and others have been dumping trash at the homeless encampments. It's not just trash from the homeless contributing to that debris, particularly next to the Williams Street encampment.
- The California legislature added an article exempting all affordable housing and emergency shelter projects from CEQA requirements, so most sites within the City would be exempt from environmental review.
- Staff are aware of jail releases into the community. The Sheriff suggested there were releases into Banning, but that the policy is being corrected.
- CalTrans and the railroad do help the City clean-up the right-of-way areas but it's a slow process to get them out there.

Gary Hironimus said that the 22nd Street site was never zoned for a shelter and should not have been considered. He said the City was doing an “end run” on the zoning laws and it disgusts him.

Barbara Djordjevic of Faith in Action said the City needs to get community buy-in immediately. She said the problem is that residents don't feel safe around the homeless. She acknowledged that finding a site would be a challenge.

Council Member Hamlin asked the community to listen to the experts they bring in and do their research. She said most of the problems cited would be solved by the establishment of a shelter for homeless services. Hamlin supported the idea of restarting the Community Action Committee and suggested they start with a navigation center. She offered to join the City Manager in asking Beaumont to partner on this issue.

City Manager Schulze said that based on the City's current zoning, emergency shelters are only allowed in two zones—high-density residential and mobile home parks. He said the emergency shelter crisis declaration was made to allow Ramsey Street Village to be developed outside those two zones.

Jeremy Levezu said he had been talking to Boomer Shannon outside and he learned that the grant money is only to rebuild existing structures in the City.

City Manager Schulze clarified that the County is not administering the grant funds in question.

Jeremy Levezu asked staff about how the shelter would operate and the jail release policy. He also asked clarifying questions about how to ask homeless individuals to leave the City.

City Manager Schulze clarified that if the City had shelter beds, they could ask individuals to move along.

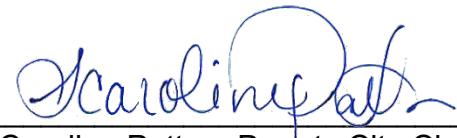
Shannon Michael asked to know when the community forum would be held.

Staff explained that they could not provide a date before looking at the calendar and considering other upcoming city meetings and events.

3. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Wallace adjourned the special meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Minutes Prepared by:



Caroline Patton, Deputy City Clerk

This entire meeting may be viewed here:
<https://banninglive.viebit.com/index.php?folder=City+Council+Meetings>

All documents related to this meeting are available here:
<http://banning.ca.us/ArchiveCenter/ViewFile/Item/2519>



**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BANNING CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF BANNING, CALIFORNIA**

September 7, 2021

PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED

RECEIVED FROM	DATE
1. Higgins, Larry	9/6/2021
2. Wright, Gail	9/7/2021
3. Lopez, Stella	9/7/2021
4. Shone, Lauren	9/7/2021
5. Kusen, Lucille	9/7/2021
6. Adrian, Toni	9/7/2021
7. Taylor, Clarence	9/7/2021
8. Burgess, Frank	9/7/2021

Banning City Clerk

Banning Mayor Colleen Wallace

Banning City Council Dave Happe, Kyle Pingree, Mary Hamlin, Alberto Sanchez

Banning City Manager Doug Schulze

Sept 5, 2021

In God's name, what the hell are you guys thinking? When did the citizens of Banning say we want homeless, when did we say, stop the enforcement of current city codes?? When did we stop Code Enforcement?? When did the citizens say build a homeless shelter?

I've lived in Banning for more than 60 years, I've owned a business on the eastside for more than 30 years. When was the last time you asked us, property owners and residences? Up until now, the street improvements for Robertson Gravel, when was the last improvements you have done on the east side. I can tell you; it was a 13-year-old Eagle scout who planted 20 trees on the east entrance to Banning 20 years ago, and the city was to and promised to water them but again, failed the eastside. You want Banning to grow, so do we, so now show us, we are tired of the BS talk.

What is the first thing, impression you see coming into Banning from the East, a trashed homeless area. Homeless walking the streets, trash everywhere. Ask us who own there and attempted and attempting to survive on city promises. Eastside is the lowest income area in Banning, and you want to make it a dumping ground for homeless that only you and the city manager wants?

My business, now vacant, was broken into 10 times in a 4-week period, by homeless, yes, homeless. I'm less than a block away from the previous shelter. Trash daily, clothes, food trash, homeless shelter stuff, blankets, tarps cardboard, human waste. Security bars ripped from the building, security cameras damaged and removed, windows broken, doors kicked in, the list goes on, thousands of dollars in damages, and you are ok with that, and yes, it was the homeless. I was never so glad to see the homeless shelters burn down, my issues stopped, I've made repairs, people are starting to show interest in the property. Now you want to bring them back???

Homeless need adult supervision, which the city has not provided, they need treatment, the city and county has not provided. They do not need housing; everyone has a place to sleep and not one is sleeping on the public bus benches. They need treatment and services. Almost none of these are Banning residences, they are not our problem, and we should not make it our problem. We are not and do not want to be the dumping ground. It is far cheaper to put them on a bus to their last known address than make it our problem! I'm not heartless, I'm tired of this issue you have created and allowing to happen.

I understand the food kitchens, I've assisted all of them over the years, and none of them were started for homeless, they slowly transitioned to that, I truly understand your point, I understand caring for God's children, food, clothing and whatever, but we all are fueling the problem, we are making Banning a magnet to the homeless, it needs to stop, all of this now, and it needs to stop with this council, no more excuses, no more blaming the past, it is your issue to fix. If you want a homeless shelter, put it next door to your house, put it in the parking lot next to the police department and move their vehicles to the city yard. At least the police department can look out the window and see what's going on as that never happened on East Ramsey. Put it next to Sun Lakes, it will get fixed then! No offense to my friends there, I know you would fix this issue the city has created.

This is it, if this move is approved, every council member, every city official should be looking for a new home, a new job, we, the citizens of Banning are done with stupid decisions, time to fix this. We are not the dumping ground for homeless, nor do we wish it to be.

Larry Higgins

1550 E. Ramsey property owner

Former Mayor City of Banning

TO MEMBERS OF THE BANNING CITY COUNCIL
SEPT. 7 COUNCIL MEETING

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE SUPPORT OUR LOCAL LOW INCOME AND HOMELESS MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY.

THEY ARE NO LESS IMPORTANT TO OUR TOWN THAN THE REST OF THE RESIDENCE AND WE MUST DO WHAT WE CAN TO SUPPORT ANY EFFORTS TO HELP DURING THIS TIME.

PLEASE CONSIDER ANY HELP THE COUNCIL CAN OFFER AND GIVE TO THEM DURING THIS DIFFICULT TIME IN THEIR LIVES.

RAMSEY VILLAGE MUST BE ALLOWED TO BE RE-ESTABLISHED AND WITH THE EFFORTS OF FAITH IN ACTION CAN IN THE FUTURE OFFER ASSISTANCE THROUGH A PROPOSED NAVIGATION CENTER TO CONNECT THEM WITH ASSISTANCE AND CONNECTING WITH AVENUES OF HELP THAT ARE AVAILABLE.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND DEEP CONSIDERATION ON THEIR BEHALF.

GAIL WRIGHT

SUN LAKES RESIDENT AND MEMBER OF FAITH IN ACTION

Stella Lopez

379. S. 22nd St Banning Ca 92220
corner of Lincoln & 22nd St.

I am a lifelong resident in Banning.
I have been at this address since 1902.

This has been a peaceful neighborhood, no disturbing incidents in all these years. However, in the past couple of years or so, we have experienced a number of incidents due to homeless people taking refuge under the 22nd St bridge and adjacent areas. I no longer take this way to Ramsey St because I don't feel safe.

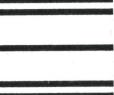
These people choose this life style, they prefer to panhandle for money instead of working for it like we do. Most of these homeless don't want to better their lives. They just want free money to do drugs. Any where you walk, you see needles they use to do drugs.

Recently, there has been incidents of theft and shooting resulting in more police activity.

We DO NOT need a homeless shelter in our neighborhood.

Stella Lee
322 S. 22nd St.
Banning, CA
green

Sept. 7, 2021 5PM
City Council Meeting
TO Read



PLACE
STAMP
HERE



8-3

Resolution 2021 – 72

Homeless Village on City Cite

22nd Street South I-10

OPPOSE HOMELESS SHELTER

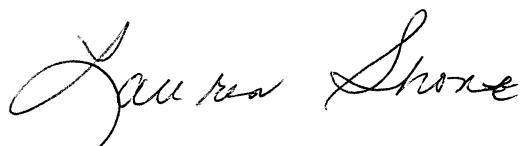
REASON..Depreciation of Property Values.. Bring more crime to our city and threaten the lives of the residents of Banning

Conclusion...I oppose the Homeless shelter

In the city of Banning

I say absolutely NO to resolution 8-3

Banning City Limits

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lauren Shone". The signature is fluid and cursive, with "Lauren" on the top line and "Shone" on the bottom line.

Lauren Shone

3046 Rainbow Lane

(Serrano Del Vista Senior Community)

Banning, Ca. 92220

8-3
Re: Resolution 2021-72
Homeless Village on city-site
22nd St. South I-10

Oppose: Homeless shelter

Reason: Safety of our neighborhood
Depreciating of our properties

Conclusion We ~~Oppose~~ homeless village
in the City of Banning

We say no to Resolution 8:3

~~Oppose~~ homeless shelter in
Banning City limits

Lucile Kusen

Ken Kusen

3146 Rainbow Lane

Banning CA 92220

(Serrano Del Vista Community)

Debbie Kusen
3146 Rainbow Lane

Banning, CA 92220

Lauren Shore
3046 Rainbow Lane

Banning, CA 92220

RECEIVED

SEP 07 2021

City of Banning
City Clerk's Office

Sept. 7, 2021 5pm
City Council meeting

To Be Read

City of Banning
Council meeting

9-07-21

In regards to Resolution 8.3

Homeless shelter at the 22nd St of IH-10

To: Mayor Wallace

All - City Council Members

City Manager of Benning - Doug Schultz

We strongly oppose any Homeless Shelter
in the City of Benning.

Reason being it threatens the safety
of our children and neighborhoods,
not to mention devaluing our homes
and property. Which we all have
worked so hard for all our lives.

Throughout these past weeks I
have noticed so many different areas the
Homeless have seemed to claim as their
own.

Personally my mother lives half a
block from the railroad on 22nd St.
Not only is a danger to her but just
filthy + disgusting to see what lies
near the Railroad + off Romp. I
personally have called the Mayor,
Waste Management, City Hall, to pick up
trash left ⁱⁿ a bind + 5 full grocery

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Carts. On the end they were picked up. It took call after call, detour after detour to accomplish the clean up. I also found out each call was not their jurisdiction, they suggested Call Cal Trans, or PC Railroad for the rest of my complaint. (people living in a car) and trash, Tarps where they live. It was one pass after another.

As a Resident of Banning I am very concerned Are You? There was an incident of a man who died near the Railroad. My nephew & niece were walking their dogs and saw this man but they thought he was asleep.

Come to find out 2 days later he was a homeless man who died! I ask You what does it take to remove all these ongoing situations so that our neighborhoods are safe again? There's also the issue of theft and break-ins throughout.

I ask all here representing the City of Banning

Mayor Wallace, Each City Council Member, and Banning City Manager Doug Schulz

JO Shut this proposal for
Homeless Shelter in Banning
which we do not want, with the same
conviction, Passion and Fervor
when trying to be elected to
serve the City of Banning.

As, for the Grant City Manager
Doug Schultz - Return it, it's not
needed or wanted. Let, the
Riverside County deal with it.

Banning is not a dumping site, it's
our Homes and community. I'm
pretty sure if it was near your homes
you would stop this proposal
immediately.

Again to be clear we say
NO to Resolution 8.3 22nd St. IH-10
Or anywhere in the City of Banning.

Zoni Adrian
624 S. Woodland Ave
Banning, CA 92220

Joni Adair
4245. Woodland Ave
Banning, CA 92220



Sept. 7, 2021 5PM
City Council Meeting
(To be Read)
City of Banning City
Council meeting

TO: THE BANNING CITY COUNCIL
CITY COUNCIL MEETING 9-7-21

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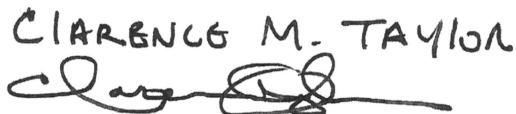


IN MRS HAMLIN'S "LETTER TO THE EDITOR"
DATED 9-3-21 RECORD GAZETTE.

HER STATEMENT WAS, "THESE ARE BANNING
PEOPLE", REFERRING TO THE HOMELESS, "AND WE NEED
TO TAKE CARE OF OUR OWN".

I DISAGREE, I HAVE BEEN IN BANNING SINCE
1967 WHEN THE POPULATION WAS ONLY 13,000
THE MAJORITY OF THOSE IN THE STREETS ARE
FROM OTHER AREAS.

LEGALLY IF YOU ATTEMPT TO FIX SOMETHING,
YOU OWN IT!

CLARENCE M. TAYLOR




To the City Clerk of Banning

I ask this letter and its attachment be read at the City Council meeting this September 7, 2021. **A Special Call Council meeting of the City of Banning.**

Questions to the City Council and/or City Staff. I ask for answers be given to the Citizen tonight before any votes are taken.

#1 If there were no Grant Money involved, would you be trying to do this Homeless Shelter Project?

#2 Where would you get the funds to do this program without a grant?

#3 Where in the **2021/2022 budget** is this program of the Homeless to be found? Where in the **2020/2021 budget**?

#4 Which **account** will theses expenses show on the budget and line items?

#5 Do you have the **approval** of this project from Ford Motor Corp. per the 1997 agreement for the 22nd street (7.78 acres).

#6 When the grant ends, where will the money come from to keep this program going and where will these funds come from at that time? Please explain tonight.

There are many questions yet to be asked and must be answered before into this program. I hope you realize what you are about to do to the 30,000 Citizens of Banning while trying to solve 90 people or less. They have problems and they truly do not want our help. They only want money for their drugs.

Below you will find an estimate of the cost to the citizens of Banning that has already occurred. What more do you think the citizens of Banning should do? How can you justify and ask even more from the citizens of Banning? Please tell us tonight.

Loss of dollars to the City's Citizens of Banning

In this loss, you must remember that is a loss to the School District, Hospital District, Library District, San Gorgonio Pass Water District and the FC-FLD CNTL Stormwater/Cleanwater District.

These are on your Property Slip that is issued by Riverside Count Annual Secured Property Tax Bill.

#1 649 West Lincoln Street at the time removes from Tax Roll value of \$9,000,000. Had it not been damaged by the Homeless the Tax Value to the Citizens and its Tax Districts would have been well over \$26,000,000. Annually.

#2 The cost to the Tax payers by way of Fire Dept. estimated \$500,000. to fight the fires 8 to 10 different times at 649 W Lincoln street. This cost could be higher.

#3 The Fire Damage of the motel on West Ramsey street was estimated to be some where about **\$500,000. Loss to the City.**

#4 Loss of property tax again to the Citizens and all of the Districts plus the loss of the motel tax of 12% (\$7500. Annually or more). One does not really know the true loss at the time!

#5 The building on West Livingston street with the cost of putting out the fire and the amount that was again removed from the Property tax is well over **\$75,000.**

#6 The Building at San Gorgonio and Lincoln street on the north west corner has a loss of Property Tax and the cost of the Fire Department in the millions of dollars. Was the cause by the homeless? I don't know. You tell us.

#7 At 300 West Lincoln (my Property) \$3850. To replace all of the front windows, as well as my home 2021 W. Wilson Street with a damage estimate of \$1000.

#8 The total cost of the Homeless Shelter burning down on East Ramsey Street has not been disclosed to the citizens that I am aware of.

#9 What has the cost to the Banning Police Department been also? I am sure over a **\$1,000,000.** Maybe even more. You the Council should ask that staff gives you a true dollar report and where the money came from and is going.

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Frank J. Berger
2021 W. Wilson St
Banning, CA 92220
P.O. Box 54, Banning, CA 92220

EXHIBIT B

SOLUTIONS TO HOMELESSNESS

September 7, 2021



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WHY ARE WE DISCUSSING THIS TOPIC?

- Dozens of Complaints from residents and businesses
- Public Homeless Summit in 2019
- City Council established policy to clean up Ramsey Street
- City Council established policy to identify permanent solution for homelessness
- Public & Private property damages/losses
- Unsustainable law enforcement resource burden
- Unsustainable public works resource burden
- Public safety and quality of life



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EXHIBIT B

WILLIAMS
STREET



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553 E. RAMSEY



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EXHIBIT B

2735 W. RAMSEY



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22ND STREET
RAILROAD ROW



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EXHIBIT B

W. LINCOLN STREET



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TAXPAYER
EXPENSE

- City staff time cleaning up encampment sites
- Property damage
- Refuse hauling
- Theft
- Property values



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EXHIBIT B

CONCERNS EXPRESSED & HEARD

- Safety
- Substance Abuse
- Mental Health
- Crime
- Trespassing
- Public urination/defecation
- Trash/Debris
- Theft
- Drug Trafficking
- Fires



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MARTIN V. BOISE

2018 Ninth Circuit Decision

Constitutionality over two city ordinances that banned sleeping & camping on public property

Decision does not prohibit cities from enforcing anti-camping or disorderly conduct ordinances

Decisions does require cities to offer beds if anti-camping or disorderly conduct ordinances will be enforced on homeless individuals

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EXHIBIT B

RAMSEY STREET VILLAGE

- COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency Action
- Goal to get 40 homeless individuals into shelters and out of an abandoned building
- Minimal planning – just shelter
- Many lessons learned
 - Must have 24/7 staff or security
 - Must have a program
 - Drug testing, random and regular unit searches
 - Maximum stay of 60 – 90 days



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FAILURE?

- 9 months of shelter for 40 homeless individuals
- Crime did not increase
- Several individuals placed in permanent housing
- County & City representatives visited Banning to see Ramsey Street Village and learn from us
- Other Counties & Cities have replicated Ramsey St Village.



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EXHIBIT B

CURRENT APPROACH

Encampments established on public property cannot be prohibited

Encampments on established on private property require property owner cooperation to trespass individuals

City staff does break up encampments to conduct clean-ups, but they just re-establish in another location

Current approach is costly and does not eliminate encampments

Encampments are not shelters

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PROPOSED SHELTER VILLAGE

- 24/7 staffing
- Fenced & Screened
- Surveillance Cameras
- On-site restroom, laundry & shower facilities
- Drug Testing
- Case Management/Navigation
- No visitors
- Background Checks
- Strict rule enforcement with no second chance



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EXHIBIT B

WHAT ABOUT HOMELESS WHO DON'T ACCEPT SHELTER BED

- Homeless individuals will have 2 options – accept shelter bed or leave Banning
- Illegal encampments will be dismantled as soon as possible
- No sleeping or camping in front of businesses, parks or unauthorized private property
- Shopping carts will be confiscated



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WHAT IF WE DO NOTHING?

- Encampments will continue to exist without any control
- Drug use, fires, theft, vandalism, and unknown homeless population will grow
- Attracting new businesses will continue to be difficult
- State of California could eventually force cities into a “one-size-fits-all” solution



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EXHIBIT B

WE HAVE
LEARNED
FROM OUR
PREVIOUS
EXPERIENCE

**“FAILURE is the
OPPORTUNITY
to begin again more
INTELLIGENTLY.”**

– Henry Ford

EXHIBIT C



September 7, 2021 City of Banning Council Special Workshop



Karen Roper
Homeless Solutions Manager
City of Corona

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Catalyst for Development of City of Corona Homeless Strategic Plan “Resident and Business Common Complaints/Calls for Service”

- ✓ Trespassing
- ✓ Camping
- ✓ Vandalism
- ✓ Citation Versus Arrest
- ✓ Visible Mental Health/Substance Abuse Issues
- ✓ Public Urination/Defecation
- ✓ Trash/Debris
- ✓ Visible homeless belongings in shopping carts
- ✓ Panhandling & deterring customers
- ✓ Loitering & deterring customers
- ✓ Theft
- ✓ Safety Concerns
- ✓ Accessing restrooms to bathe or use drugs
- ✓ Drug Trafficking



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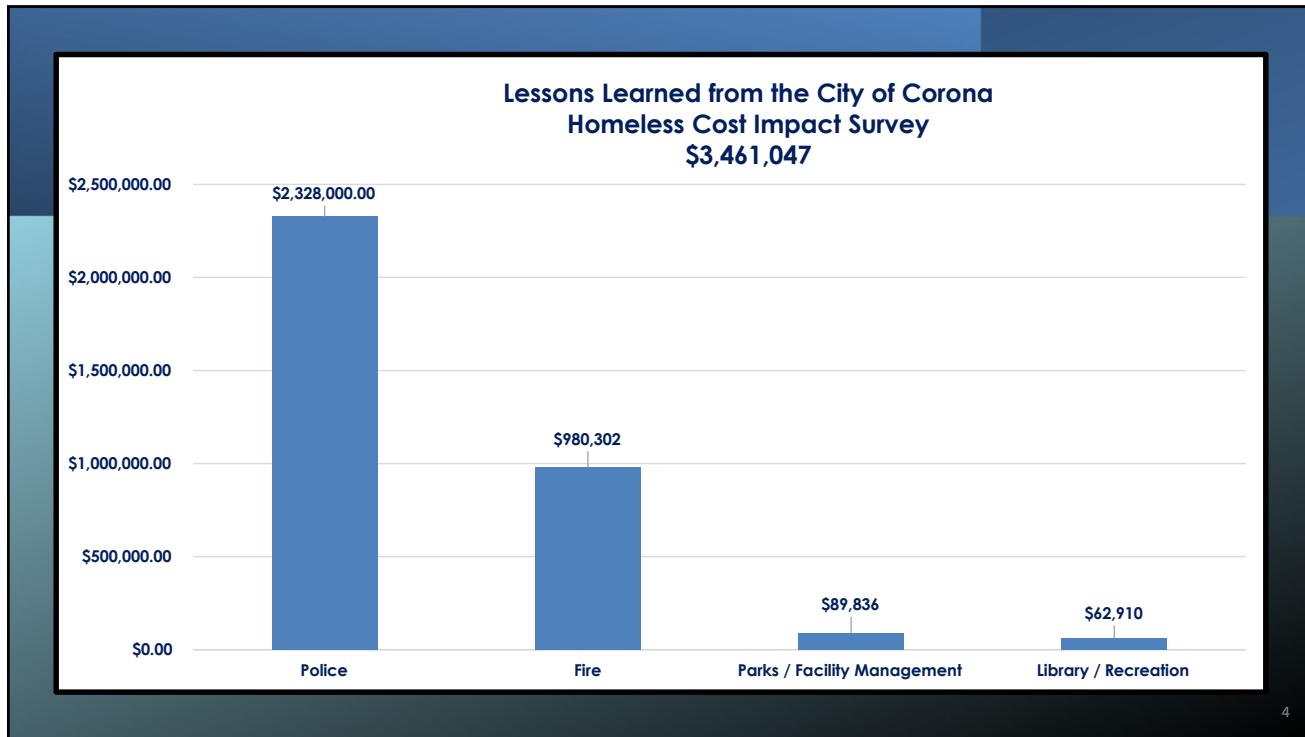
EXHIBIT C

CITY OF CORONA HOMELESS STRATEGIC PLAN COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- ✓ Robust community engagement process
 - Online surveys
 - Surveys distributed at community meetings
 - Flip chart summaries of public comments and feedback at community meetings
- ✓ 18 community meetings (including weekdays, evenings, and weekends)
- ✓ Stakeholders
 - 2nd District Collaborative of Western Cities (Corona, Norco, Eastvale, Jurupa Valley, Riverside)
 - County Agencies
 - Faith-Based and Community-Based Organizations
 - Corona Chamber of Commerce & Corona Businesses
 - Homeless/Formerly Homeless Focus Group
 - Corona Rotary Club
 - City of Corona Department Head Meetings and Meetings with City Staff
 - Inland Gateway Association of Realtors
 - Residents
- ✓ City Council: Homelessness Resources Committee, City Council Study Sessions, and Regular City Council Meetings



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EXHIBIT C

City of Corona Homeless Strategic Plan Goals

1	Develop a Systems-Oriented Approach to Address Homelessness	6	Develop Public/Private Partnerships to Support Plan Initiatives
2	Develop a Low-Barrier Emergency Shelter/Navigation Center System	7	Develop Partnerships with the County and Continuum of Care to Support Plan Initiatives
3	Develop Permanent Supportive Housing and Affordable Housing Solutions	8	Develop a Homeless Prevention Initiative
4	Expand Outreach and Engagement	9	Develop an Advocacy Campaign to Support Plan Initiatives
5	Develop and Participate in Sub-Regional Collaboratives with Neighboring Cities	10	Expand Data Tracking Systems & Dashboard to Measure System Performance

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City of Corona Homeless Strategic Plan Dashboard Legend

Completed	100%	
Near Target/On Track	50%-90%	
Below Target/At-Risk	30%-40%	
Far Below Target/Attention Required	0%-20%	

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EXHIBIT C

City of Corona Homeless System of Services

- ✓ 1 Full Time Homeless Solutions Manager
- ✓ 4 Full Time Corona Police Department Homeless Outreach & Psychological Evaluation (HOPE) Team Officers
- ✓ 2 Full Time City Net Case Managers for Outreach, Engagement and Supportive Services
- ✓ 20 Room Low Barrier Motel Emergency Shelter Program with Wrap Around Services and Case Management (Non-Congregate)
- ✓ 40 Bed Low Barrier Emergency Shelter/ Navigation Center (Congregate)
 - ✓ Post Hospital Recuperative Care
 - ✓ Navigation Center/Multi-Service Center
 - ✓ Onsite FQHC Clinic for behavioral health, medical and dental services
 - ✓ Many other multi-disciplinary services
 - ✓ Pet Friendly
 - ✓ Storage Lockers
- ✓ 12 Permanent Supportive Housing Units
- ✓ \$728,685 in HOME Tenant-Based Rental Assistance
- ✓ 4.86 Acre City-Owned Site: Affordable Housing with Permanent Supportive Housing Units
- ✓ Make-It-Cozy Warehouse for Furniture/Move-In Kit Donations
- ✓ City of Corona MOU with the City of Norco for Collaborative Homeless Services
 - ✓ City of Corona manages the City Net contract for Norco's outreach, case management and motel shelter services
 - ✓ In two weeks, the City of Norco built capacity to provide emergency shelter and supportive services
 - ✓ Unique model that can be replicated in other cities



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COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE CONTINUUM OF CARE POLICY & ADVOCACY COMMITTEE



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EXHIBIT C

CONTINUUM OF CARE GOOD NEIGHBOR COMMUNITY POLICY

Community Outreach & Engagement

- ✓ Facilitate community meetings prior to start of project
- ✓ Summarize business, resident and local government concerns
- ✓ Develop strategies to mitigate concerns
- ✓ Present mitigating strategies to stakeholders
- ✓ Maintain open and ongoing community dialogue



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CONTINUUM OF CARE GOOD NEIGHBOR COMMUNITY POLICY

Community Advisory Committee

✓ Business	✓ Host City Staff Representatives
✓ Residents	✓ Persons with Lived Experience
✓ Faith-Based Organizations	✓ Police & Fire Department
✓ Community-Based Organizations	✓ County



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EXHIBIT C

CONTINUUM OF CARE GOOD NEIGHBOR COMMUNITY POLICY

Building Design

- ✓ Nicest residential or commercial development on the block
- ✓ Privacy Fencing
- ✓ Security Cameras
- ✓ Parking
- ✓ Recreational Areas
- ✓ Pet Friendly Options



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CONTINUUM OF CARE GOOD NEIGHBOR COMMUNITY POLICY

Operational Standards

- ✓ Policies to define role of County and City
- ✓ Clearly defined referral protocols
- ✓ 24/7 phone contact
- ✓ Neighborhood Patrol
- ✓ Neighborhood Homeless Outreach Worker
- ✓ Transportation and Parking Policies
- ✓ Client/Resident Rules and Guidelines



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EXHIBIT C

CONTINUUM OF CARE GOOD NEIGHBOR COMMUNITY POLICY

Operational Standards

- ✓ Security and Safety Plan
- ✓ Collaboration with local Police Department and Fire Department
- ✓ Communication protocols to address concerns and complaints
- ✓ Public/Private partnerships to involve and engage businesses/residents
 - Volunteer Opportunities
 - Corporate Social Responsibility
 - Donation Programs



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QUESTIONS?

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