



# ***Agenda Report***

## ***Fullerton City Council***

**MEETING DATE:** MAY 7, 2024

**TO:** CITY COUNCIL / SUCCESSOR AGENCY

**SUBMITTED BY:** ERIC LEVITT, CITY MANAGER

**PREPARED BY:** KIM CHAUDHRY, SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST

**SUBJECT:** PARKS JUNIOR HIGH TINY HOME PRESENTATION

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### SUMMARY

Parks Junior High School student presentation on the Fullerton School District Tiny Home initiative which provides practical learning experiences and addressing local housing needs.

### PROPOSED MOTION

Receive and file.

### ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- Approve the Proposed Motion.
- Other options brought by City Council.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Proposed Motion.

### CITY MANAGER REMARKS

This is a study session presentation by Parks Junior High students on their Tiny Home Project. It allows for a Q&A with City Council members.

### PRIORITY POLICY STATEMENT

This item matches the following Priority Policy Statement:

- Public Safety

### FISCAL IMPACT

None.

## DISCUSSION

The Fullerton School District Tiny Home Project provides an opportunity for students to apply their skills in a real-world context while making a meaningful contribution to their community. The project not only builds a house but also fosters hope and stability for a local family in need.

Nicolas Junior High School Woodshop II students will build a tiny home on a trailer to place at the new Orangethorpe Campus Community Center.

- Mission:

Designed as a turnkey home for an underhoused FSD family as a temporary housing solution (191 FSD families categorized as underhoused). A case manager will assist the family in finding work, providing access to health care, essential needs and more.

- Future of the project and how it will help the homeless:

- Create a community of tiny houses modeled after other cities that serve as bridge from the streets to a home.
- The FSD Tiny Home provides a case manager and support and can help reduce the number of homeless people in Fullerton through affordable housing and a family resource support system.

- Opportunities and involvement with the City:

The tiny homes create affordable housing units and maximize surplus land space. The FSD plans to expand the project and work with the City for potential land to build tiny homes on and help in securing grants and/or funding.

- Has involved multiple student groups collaborating on different aspects:

Nicolas Junior High School Woodshop II students, under the guidance of the teacher Mucio Vidales, focused on problem solving, construction and applying mathematical concepts while discovering career paths. The Nicolas Junior High School Associated Student Body cabinet will produce a documentary to capture project milestones and challenges. Additionally, Parks Junior High School students, directed by Jesus Silva, will research, synthesize information and present the project at a Fullerton City Council meeting, which provides valuable experience and skills in presenting, public speaking and advocacy.

- External Support:

The Home Depot, the Phelps Foundation, New Dimension General Construction, Fullerton Education Foundation, Ana White – Architect, OC United, Pathways to Hope, Idea Hall, CBE and WINDOR have provided project support.

## ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment 1 – Presentation