

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-XX

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 15 OF THE FULLERTON MUNICIPAL CODE TO AMEND CHAPTER 15.42 - EMERGENCY SHELTER OVERLAY ZONE, AND OTHER RELATED CHAPTERS AS NECESSARY, TO BETTER IMPLEMENT THE CITY'S GOAL TO REDUCE THE INCIDENCES OF HOMELESSNESS IN FULLERTON

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CITY OF FULLERTON

WHEREAS, the City Council declared an emergency shelter crisis on July 2, 2019, noting that the number of unsheltered homeless individuals in Fullerton has doubled since the 2017 Point in Time Count.

WHEREAS, the health and safety of unsheltered individuals and families are threatened by the lack of emergency shelters in the City and by limited access to intake and coordinated entry services as offered by shelters and multiservice (navigation) centers.

WHEREAS, the City is a member of the North Service Planning Area (North SPA), an organization comprised of 13 North Orange County cities who have entered into a multi-jurisdictional agreement for the purpose of establishing, constructing, developing, maintaining, providing, operating and facilitating the provision of two navigational centers (Buena Park and Placentia) and the provision of certain services at the centers for homeless adults, children and families located within its boundaries.

WHEREAS, on August 20, 2019 the City Council authorized a Letter of Intent to provide an expression of partnership with the Illumination Foundation to facilitate the acquisition, development and operation of a new navigation center with recuperative care services in Fullerton.

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 3222 established the Emergency Shelter Overlay Zone in 2015 in which emergency shelters for homeless and multiservice centers for homeless are permitted by right subject to compliance with specified criteria.

WHEREAS, since its inception in 2015 there have been no shelters established in the Emergency Shelter (E-S) Overlay Zone.

WHEREAS, with the declaration of a shelter crisis, amendments to the Fullerton Municipal Code are necessary to improve the City's readiness to accommodate new navigation centers and pursue opportunities to acquire funding to assist nonprofit providers with navigation center development and management.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Fullerton does hereby resolve as follows:

1. That the City Council declares its intention to consider amendments to Title 15 of Fullerton Municipal Code regarding development and operational standards for the location of emergency shelters and / or navigation centers and to potentially modify the boundaries or areas of the Emergency Shelter (E-S) Overlay zone in order to better address the growing homelessness crisis.
2. That there is no possibility that the Resolution of Intention in and of itself will have a significant effect on the environment and therefore this action is not subject to CEQA.

ADOPTED BY THE FULLERTON CITY COUNCIL ON OCTOBER 1, 2019.

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Jesus J. Silva, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Lucinda Williams, City Clerk

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