



# City of Norman, OK

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**File Name:** Emergency Shelter Grant for Warming Shelter

**Final Action:**

**Title:** ACCEPTANCE OF AN EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$147,692 FROM THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE TO BE USED TO OPERATE A WARMING SHELTER DURING THE WINTER MONTHS FOR THE HOMELESS AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION R-2021-40 APPROPRIATING FUNDS.

**Notes:** ACTION NEEDED: Motion to accept or reject an Emergency Shelter Grant from the Oklahoma Department of Commerce in the amount of \$147,692 to be used to operate a warming shelter during the winter months for the homeless; and, if accepted, approve Contract K-2021-42, authorize the execution thereof, and adopt Resolution R-2021-40 appropriating funds

ACTION TAKEN: \_\_\_\_\_

**Agenda Date:** 09/08/2020

**Agenda Number:** 18

**Attachments:** Contract Part I, Contract Part II, Resolution 2021 40

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**Effective Date:**

### History of Legislative File

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### Text of Legislative File K-2021-42

Body

**BACKGROUND:** The Oklahoma Department of Commerce (ODOC) received \$5,743,528 of Emergency Solutions Grant - Corona Virus (ESG-CR) Funds as a result of the CARES Act. The City of Norman is not an Entitlement Community for ESG funding and all funding is passed thru the Oklahoma Department of Commerce to the seven rural Continuum's of Care. Oklahoma City and the City of

Tulsa, as Entitlement Communities, receive a direct formula allocation from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The ESG-CR funds were allocated to these seven rural Continuum of Care entities utilizing a formula which included the number of COVID-19 cases, the unemployment rate, the number of uninsured, as well as population. The Norman/Cleveland County Continuum of Care was allocated a total of \$326,657.

Food and Shelter, Inc. and Thunderbird Clubhouse each successfully prepared applications and were awarded funds to assist their agencies in addressing the COVID-19 crisis. Their applications total \$178,965 and are focused on operations and housing-based solutions. The City of Norman applied for the remaining \$147,692 to be utilized for the operation of a Winter Warming Shelter and enhanced street outreach. The City of Norman was awarded the full amount requested; Contract K-2021-42 (17924 ESGCR 20), Part I and II details this award.

**DISCUSSION:** To address the potential spread of COVID-19 within the homeless community, as well as the larger Cleveland County population, the City of Norman is proposing to operate a Winter Warming Shelter from late October 2020 thru mid-March 2021. In addition to providing overnight respite to individuals who are street homeless, the Shelter will concentrate on social distancing, temperature screening, as well as isolation where warranted. Case Managers will be hired as temporary/seasonal employees to provide services each evening. The Winter Warming Shelter will be a permanent housing solution-based shelter operated in a similar manner as the 2019-2020 shelter.

As of this date the location for the shelter has not been determined. The award to the City of Norman is in the amount of \$147,692 and is a reimbursable grant by the Oklahoma Department of Commerce. There is no match required for this award.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approval of K-2021-42 as proposed, including acceptance of the Emergency Solutions Grant-CR funding in the amount of \$147,692.

The revenue account of 212-331319 (ESG-CR) will be utilized for this funding. Resolution R-2021-40 will appropriate funds totaling \$147,692 to various accounts. Staff also recommends that Resolution R-2021-40 be adopted by City Council.