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Cc: FGG, Public Comment

Subject: [External] DEVELOPMENT OF A HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION PROGRAM (Please include with agenda item 24.)

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Hi Supervisors,

I like that financial stability (and employment) is recognized as a problem leading to homelessness and that the homeless would be directed to mental or behavioral health resources as appropriate. However, I do not like that the plan is short on specifics, like specific employment or behavioral health programs. And I do not think that placement in existing housing, or providing "flexible funds" would accommodate all the homeless, so I think that part of the program is deficient.

It is a good start, but I do not think that "sustainable funding" per recommendation 1 is or can be identified on the basis of the HPP report, so I recommend that you reject the program as presented.

Regards,

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