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Legislation Text

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Approve the appointment of Tonya Nowakowski, Assistant Director of Health and Social Services, as the Solano County representative to Housing First Solano Continuum of Care

Published Notice Required? Yes ☐ No ☒
Public Hearing Required? Yes ☐ No ☒

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION:

The Health and Social Services Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve the appointment of Tonya Nowakowski, Assistant Director of Health and Social Services, as the Solano County representative to Housing First Solano Continuum of Care.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Housing First Solano Continuum of Care (CoC) is the regional Continuum of Care for Solano County and is the regional planning body of representative stakeholders in Solano County that coordinates the community's policies, strategies and activities toward preventing and ending homelessness.

On March 7, 2017, the Board appointed Tonya Nowakowski as the primary County representative to the Community Action Partnership (CAP) Solano Joint Powers Authority (JPA). CAP Solano JPA works together with each of the seven cities on reducing homelessness and providing basic safety net services. The CAP Solano JPA is the collaborative applicant for federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funds allocated through Housing First Solano CoC, the Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS) lead agency, and the recipient of the County's Community Service Block Grant funds (CSBG) from the State of California.

As the County representative to CAP Solano JPA and the Assistant Director of Health and Social Services, Tonya Nowakowski is well informed on the various homeless outreach and housing efforts throughout the County.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The costs associated with preparing the agenda item are nominal and absorbed by the Department's FY2018/19 Adopted Budget. There is no additional impact to the County General Fund with the recommended appointment.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board may choose not to approve the appointment. This is not recommended as the appointment transfers primary coordination of the Housing First Solano Continuum of Care efforts to the primary appointee for CAP Solano JPA and allows for informed and consistent County representation by the County staff most involved in the provision of homeless and safety net services.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The County Administrator's Office participated in the development of the staff report.

CAO RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION