BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-102

Resolution authorizing an Internal Loan from the Risk Management Fund (3500) to the Supportive Housing Fund (1521) in the amount of \$3,000,000 to provide funding for Joint Office of Homeless Services Capacity Building for "HereTogether" Program.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- a. On May 19, 2020, Metro district service area voters approved Metro Ballot Measure 26-210 (the "Supportive Housing Services Measure" or "SHSM"). The Supportive Housing Services Measure established two new taxes, a business income tax and a personal income tax, to fund supportive housing services for people experiencing homelessness or at risk of experiencing homelessness. The new taxes take effect on January 1, 2021.
- b. The Metro district service area includes portions of Multnomah, Clackamas, and Washington counties (the "Counties"). Revenues from the new taxes will be distributed to the Counties fund new programs and services for people experiencing homelessness or at risk of experiencing homelessness (the "Programs and Services"). Metro estimates that Multnomah County will receive \$52 million of SHSM revenue in fiscal year ("FY") 2022.
- c. The SHSM requires that each of the Counties complete a Local Implementation Plan (the "LIP"). The Joint Office of Homeless Services (the "Joint Office") will complete Multnomah County's LIP and coordinate Multnomah County's provision of Programs and Services funded by this revenue following plan approval.
- d. The Joint Office needs to expand its administrative and programmatic capacity immediately in FY 2021 in order to support the delivery of the Programs and Services in FY 2022. This "Phase 1" capacity need includes staff for program administration, community engagement, racial equity planning, data collection and evaluation, and human resources and business services, along with contracted services funding for technical assistance and organizational development.
- e. The Joint Office staff anticipates Phase 1 capacity building will cost \$3,000,000. However, the Supportive Housing Fund lacks the funds to pay for these investments.
- f. An alternative funding source for the Phase 1 investments is available in the form of an internal loan from the Risk Management Fund to the Supportive Housing Fund.
- g. As provided under ORS 294.468, the Board of County Commissioners may authorize by resolution the use of an operating internal ("Interfund") loan, provided that the loan is repaid by the end of the ensuing year or budget period.

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- h. There is sufficient cash in the Risk Management Fund to make an Interfund loan of \$3,000,000 to the Supportive Housing Fund.
- i. The Interfund loan will be processed in January 2021. The Supportive Housing Fund will repay the Risk Management Fund as outlined in the attached schedule. Interest will accrue on the loan at the rate the County earns in the Local Government Investment Pool.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Resolves:

- 1. Investment in the Phase 1 capacity building needed to support the provision of Programs and Services is a high priority of the County.
- 2. The County authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to make the necessary accounting transaction in FY 2021 to loan \$3,000,000 from the Risk Management Fund to the Supportive Housing Fund to provide funding for Phase 1 capacity building for the Supportive Housing Services Measure.
- 3. The Supportive Housing Fund will repay the Risk Management Fund for the entire amount of the loan when sufficient resources are available in the Supportive Housing Fund, but no later than 12 month from date of loan.

ADOPTED this 3rd day of December, 2020.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

Deborah Kafoury, County Chair

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