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MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KATHRYN BARGER

November 21, 2017

Gratis Use of the High Desert Multi-Ambulatory Care Center

On October 10, 2017, the Board of Supervisors directed the CEO Homeless Initiative to work with LAHSA, Fire Department, Department of Public Works, County Counsel, and other pertinent County departments to establish a 24-hour emergency shelter at the High Desert Multi-Ambulatory Care Center (MACC) located at 44900 60th Street East, Lancaster, CA, 93536 pursuant to Government Code Sections 8698 et seq. during the Shelter Crisis period of November 10, 2017 through March 31, 2018. The Salvation Army has been identified by the County of Los Angeles and the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) as the service provider most capable of providing a 24-hour winter shelter at the High Desert MACC, providing approximately 93 beds to house homeless individuals during the Shelter Crisis period. The Salvation Army is requesting the gratis use of the County-owned High Desert MACC for the implementation of their Winter Shelter Program that, in addition to providing approximately 93 beds, will also provide warm meal service, portable shower facilities, bridge housing services, and other homeless services to assist those individuals residing within the MACC during the Shelter Crisis period.

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Pursuant to Government Code Section 26227, the Board has the authority to make available real property not needed for County purposes to non-profit entities for operation of programs which serve public purposes and are necessary to meet the social needs of the population of the County. Approval of the recommended actions will allow the Salvation Army to begin providing food, shelter, and homeless services at the High Desert MACC to the local Antelope Valley community for the duration of the shelter crisis period.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors:

- Find that the former High Desert MACC is not currently needed for County purposes;
- 2. Find that the services to be provided by The Salvation Army are necessary to meet the social needs of the County and serve public purposes which benefit the County;
- 3. Find that the proposed granting of a gratis license agreement to The Salvation Army is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15301 of the State CEQA Guidelines (Existing Facilities) and Class 1 of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines.
- 4. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer or her designee to negotiate a gratis License Agreement with The Salvation Army from November 21, 2017 to March 31, 2018.
- 5. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer or her designee to execute the License Agreement and other ancillary documentation approved as to form by County Counsel necessary to effectuate the License Agreement, and to take any other actions necessary and appropriate to implement and effectuate the License Agreement.