

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR HOLLY J. MITCHELL

July 12, 2022

Housing for Health COVID-19 Programs and 10-Year Anniversary Celebration Fee Waiver

Housing for Health (HFH) was established in 2012 as a division of the Department of Health Services (DHS) to provide housing and services to people experiencing homelessness with complex health and behavioral health conditions. Their services have been expanded to include high utilizers of public services and other vulnerable populations. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, HFH developed a Quarantine and Isolation (QI) program and COVID-19 Response Teams to provide services to individuals experiencing homelessness and those unable to isolate or quarantine safely. HFH has also fully vaccinated over 11,000 homeless individuals. Their efforts contained outbreaks and reduced COVID-19 spread within the vulnerable unhoused population of the County and represents a historic County-wide effort resulting in a much lower than anticipated COVID-19 mortality rate among people experiencing homelessness.

As the County’s response to COVID-19 evolves, and as federal funding expires for some COVID-19 activities, DHS is transitioning COVID-19 response strategies for people experiencing homelessness to DPH. To celebrate and commemorate HFH’s work related to COVID-19, staff is organizing a voluntary gathering during non-work hours for all HFH permanent, and COVID-19 staff. The event will serve over 700 individuals, including community-based providers who were key to DHS’ COVID-19 program success. The

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event will take place at Dockweiler Beach – the location of the County’s first QI site – on July 30, 2022, from 12:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1. Instruct the Director of Beaches and Harbors to waive (a) the administrative fee of \$250 and (b) the parking fee of \$13 each for 405 attendees, (c) the \$326.10 cost to provide traffic direction, and (d) the 15% gross receipts, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for the Housing for Health COVID-19 programs event and 10-year anniversary celebration at Dockweiler Beach on July 30, 2022, from 12:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

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