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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 269048

ADOPTED ON AUG 1 0 1987

RESOLUTION ADDING COUNCIL POLICY NO. 000-50 REGARDING EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN FOR THE HOMELESS.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that a new Council Policy No. 000-50, entitled "EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN FOR THE HOMELESS," be and the same is hereby adopted and added to the Council Policy Manual, pursuant to the copy of said Policy which is on file in the office of the City Clerk as Document No. RR- 269048.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to make the necessary changes to the Council Policy Manual and publish and distribute the new policy as may be necessary and required.

APPROVED: John W. Witt, City Attorney

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Jack Katz, Chief Deputy

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BACKGROUND

It has been estimated that at any given time there are 3,000 to 5,000 homeless individuals in San Diego County; individuals who regularly have no place to go during a significant portion of any 24-hour period. The homeless are not a homogeneous group, but consist of transients, families, runaways, the elderly, the mentally and physically disabled, alcohol and drug abusers, vagrants, and undocumented aliens. Public and private shelters can accommodate only 1,000 of the homeless, leaving 2,000 to 4,000 to seek shelter in the streets, where they are exposed to the elements. Due to the poor state of their health, and the lack of adequate clothing, many of these individuals are extremely vulnerable to the elements, especially during periods of extreme cold.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to establish an Emergency Response Plan which will provide temporary overnight shelter in City-owned facilities to homeless individuals within the City of San Diego during periods of extreme cold, when no other facilities are available for this purpose. This policy, along with other policies adopted by the County and other agencies, both public and private, will constitute the Regional Emergency Response Plan for the Homeless.

POLICY

It shall be the policy of the Council to make City owned facilities available to the homeless as temporary overnight shelters during periods of extreme cold, when no other facilities are available for this purpose. The facilities and support staff, as appropriate, shall be made available, as feasible, in those areas that have the highest concentrations of homeless, particularly in and around the downtown area. The shelters will be opened to the homeless from 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. on nights when weather conditions are projected to be of a life-threatening nature in the metropolitan area. The determination to make the facilities available under this Emergency Response Plan shall be the responsibility of the City Manager's Office of Emergency Management.

Only those facilities that have adequate sleeping space and sanitary provisions are to be used for overnight shelters. Rules and regulations on the use of the facilities will be developed and enforced by social service agencies and volunteers who will be primarily responsible for overseeing the shelters during the hours of operation. These rules shall require, as a minimum, the screening of individuals for weapons, drugs, and alcohol, and the establishment of fire, safety, and sanitary procedures.

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POLICY (Continued)

This plan shall be coordinated with the County of San Diego and other public and private agencies to ensure that a regional approach to providing temporary overnight shelter to the homeless will be taken during period of extreme cold. A status report on the impact of this policy, including the number of homeless assisted and the total cost, shall be presented to the Council on an annual basis, and more frequently if necessary.

HISTORY

Adopted by Resolution R-

RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT

City Manager - Emergency Management

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