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RESOLUTION NO. R-105-15

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A POLICY  
FOR FUNDING TO PROVIDERS OF HOMELESS SERVICES

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WHEREAS, by the passage of Resolution No. R-91-10, the Board of Directors created a priority to establish a homeless campus setting with a consolidation of services that will eliminate travel, duplication of services, and better represent the dignity of homeless persons; and

WHEREAS, the updated comprehensive plan adopted by Resolution No. R-168-14 includes an action to create and implement a campus concept to consolidate existing homeless and social services south of Garrison Ave. (Housing and Neighborhoods 2.4.1); and

WHEREAS, a campus concept will result in more efficient and effective use of public resources supporting homelessness services; and

WHEREAS, improved care of the homeless population is essential to supporting investment in downtown Fort Smith, the Belle Grove Historic District, and other nearby areas; and

WHEREAS, funding provided by the City of Fort Smith through outside agency funding and CDBG funding has not resulted in satisfactory alignment of funding with the goals stated above; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors is desirous of ensuring the allocation of resources for services provided to homeless persons supports the goals of Resolution No. R-91-10, the city's comprehensive plan, and the efficient and effective use of public resources;

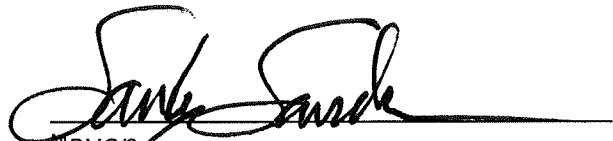
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the City of Fort Smith, Arkansas that:

SECTION 1: The Board of Directors states its continuing support for development and operation of the Riverview Hope Campus at 301 South E Street to provide temporary housing and a variety of other

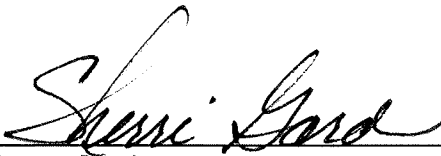
services for portions of the homeless population in a centralized location and with improved case management and coordination of those services.

SECTION 2: In the interest of avoiding duplication of services, thereby maximizing the benefit of public funds that support services to homeless persons, the Board determines the City of Fort Smith shall not provide funding to any organization whose services to homeless persons are being provided in a manner or method inconsistent with the goals of Resolution No. R-91-10, the city's comprehensive plan, or the principle of efficient and effective use of public resources. This policy does not apply to organizations whose primary clientele is not homeless persons, but who may serve some homeless persons. Nor does it apply to organizations who serve unique homeless clientele who are not part of the mission of the Riverview Hope Campus.

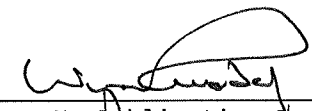
This Resolution passed this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2015.

  
Mayor

ATTEST:

  
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
No Publication Required