

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
SAN JOSE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR HER
DESIGNEE, TO PROCEED WITH NECESSARY
FEASIBILITY STUDIES, DEVELOPMENT, AND
CONSTRUCTION OF POTENTIAL SITES DETERMINED
FEASIBLE FOR SUPPORTIVE OUTDOOR SLEEPING,
BASIC NEEDS SITES, OR OTHER TEMPORARY
HOUSING OPTIONS WITHOUT FURTHER ACTION FROM
THE CITY COUNCIL, SUBJECT TO ANY FURTHER
ADDITIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW OR OTHER
APPROVALS**

WHEREAS, ongoing efforts by the City of San José (“City”) to establish safe sleeping sites were initiated following the City Council's endorsement of the Community Plan to End Homelessness (2020-2025) in August 2020, which outlines strategies to address homelessness, including the development of Supportive Outdoor Sleeping (“SOS”) sites designed to provide managed and secure environments for unsheltered individuals as an alternative to encampments, to improve the quality of life for unsheltered individuals and help them move toward self-sufficiency; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 1204 of the San José City Charter, the City Council approved the Mayor’s March Budget Message for Fiscal Year 2024-2025, which emphasized the urgent need for safe sleeping sites; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with City Council direction, the City Manager’s 2024-2025 Proposed Operating Budget allocates \$10,000,000 in Fiscal Year 2024-2025, \$5,000,000 ongoing, to establish basic, low-cost, low-barrier safe sleeping sites by the end of December 2024, contingent upon City Council approval of one or more sites before July 2024; and

WHEREAS, on October 24, 2023, the City Council adopted a Shelter Crisis declaration and proclamation of a local emergency caused by conditions and threatened conditions of homelessness in the City, and the City Council will consider extending the declaration and proclamation on June 18, 2024; and

WHEREAS, SOS sites, primarily consisting of a secured and managed individual tent area for adults with food, potable water, toilets, showers, laundry, and waste disposal, can add additional infrastructure and service opportunities for individuals living in encampments by creating an alternative to encampments that includes a combination of services and case management and will provide a supportive environment until participants access housing opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Basic Needs Sites can add additional service opportunities by providing basic trash services, portable toilets, hand washing stations, showers and laundry, trash disposal, and some form of limited site security or monitoring; and

WHEREAS, the City has identified several potential sites for the development of SOS sites, Basic Needs Sites, or other temporary housing options, and has conducted initial environmental assessments and preliminary analyses to assess real estate feasibility, including an assessment of geographic constraints and an evaluation of each site's suitability for development, and desires to move forward with further analysis and, if determined viable, to proceed with development of managed and secure environments for unsheltered individuals; and

WHEREAS, based on initial findings, the City desires to authorize the City Manager or her designee to proceed with necessary feasibility studies of the potential sites identified in Exhibit A to this resolution, and develop sites, subject to resource availability, that are determined to be feasible;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
SAN JOSE THAT:

The City Manager, or her designee, is hereby authorized to proceed with necessary feasibility studies, development, and construction of the potential sites identified in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein, that are determined feasible for Supportive Outdoor Sleeping, Basic Needs Sites, or other temporary housing options without further action from the City Council, subject to any further additional environmental review or other approvals.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2024, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

DISQUALIFIED:

MATT MAHAN
Mayor

ATTEST:

TONI J. TABER, CMC
City Clerk

EXHIBIT A

Potential Sites for Supportive Outdoor Sleeping Sites and Basic Needs Sites

Site Name/Location	Parcel Number	Due Diligence (partial summary)
South Parcel off Lelong Street	434-04-003, -004, -011, -012, -013, -066, -083, -084, -088	Staff performed preliminary site analysis and determined that it is potentially suitable for SOS.
North Parcel off Willow Street	264-48-098	Staff performed preliminary site analysis and determined that it is potentially suitable for SOS.
14020 and 3278 Almaden Road	459-01-021 459-02-001	No air quality or flood zone studies needed. Site is potentially suitable for SOS.
Almaden Road at Canoas Garden Avenue	456-18-001	No air quality concerns; further flood zone analysis and possible noise impacts require additional analysis.
1157 E. Taylor Street	249-21-006	No flood zone concerns; proximity to US-101 and to aircraft flyover will require further analysis.
South Coyote Valley site	725-01-023	Preliminary analysis indicates the project is consistent with the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Emergency Interim Housing Programs project. Further analysis required.
Tully/Monterey Property	477-25-044 477-23-036	No air quality concerns; no flood measures required; potential noise analysis may be required.
Kelley Park/Phelan Parking Lot	477-12-032, -020	Staff performed preliminary site analysis and determined that it is potentially suitable for Safe Parking or SOS.