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December 16, 2019

TO: Mahesh Sharma, County Administrator

FROM: Lori A. Elam, Community Services Director

RE: Funding for Winter Emergency Shelter

Humility Homes and Services has requested funding again this year for the emergency winter overflow shelter. Last year, King's Harvest announced they were not going to open the overflow shelter and Humility Homes and Services (Humility of Mary Shelter) offered to take it over. I participated in several meetings last year with Humility Homes staff, local agencies who serve homeless individuals, and community funders regarding the cost of operation and the future plans of the overflow shelter. Last year because of the "emergency" nature, Scott County provided \$5,000 to help fund the overflow shelter even though the money was not budgeted. The county's portion came from the Community Services Department budget under the General Assistance rental assistance line item.

In October Humility Homes and Services again asked for funding for the emergency winter shelter. I did not budget for this request. I did ask if other cities and entities were providing funds again this year. I was told that the City of Davenport had promised \$15,000. In reviewing the General Assistance budget, the rental assistance line item was much lower than expected at 14% of the budget amount. After some discussion, it was decided that Scott County could provide \$15,000, out of the rental assistance line, matching the City of Davenport's request.

It's important to note that Humility Homes and Services have requested funding through the FY21 budget process and have submitted the required documents by the deadline, requesting \$45,000. If approved, I would not expect the emergency requests for funding in the future.

I will be available at the Committee of the Whole meeting to answer any questions.

THE COUNTY AUDITOR'S SIGNATURE CERTIFIES THAT THIS RESOLUTION HAS BEEN FORMALLY APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON

DATE

SCOTT COUNTY AUDITOR

RESOLUTION

SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DECEMBER 26, 2019

APPROVAL OF \$15,000 TO HUMILITY HOMES AND SERVICES WINTER EMERGENCY SHELTER

BE IT RESOLVED BY the Scott County Board of Supervisors as follows:

Section 1. That Scott County hereby approves financial support in the amount of \$15,000 for Humility Homes and Services to operate the winter emergency shelter once again this winter.

Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.