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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: *June 28, 2022*

DATE: Thursday, June 23, 2022

TO: Board of County Commissioners

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THROUGH: Eric Brown, Washoe County Manager

SUBJECT: Recommendation to approve a Purchase and Sale Agreement for the acquisition of 4.747 acre property located at 1775 East 4th Street, Reno, Nevada, 89512 (APN 008-211-50) in an amount not to exceed five million one hundred fifty thousand dollars [\$5,150,000] and closing costs not to exceed [\$12,000] and authorize the Chair to execute agreement and documents in support thereof. The property will be used to provide shelter and related services for people experiencing homelessness. (Commission District 3) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

SUMMARY

Recommendation to approve a Purchase and Sale Agreement for the acquisition of 4.747 acre property located at 1775 East 4th Street, Reno, Nevada, 89512 (APN 008-211-50) in an amount not to exceed five million one hundred fifty thousand dollars [\$5,150,000] and closing costs not to exceed [\$12,000] and authorize the Chair to execute agreement and documents in support thereof. The property will be used to provide shelter and related services for people experiencing homelessness.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Vulnerable Populations

PREVIOUS ACTION

On November 18, 2020, at a concurrent meeting of the Sparks City Council, Reno City Council, and Washoe County Board of Commissioners, the three entities (Parties) entered into an Interlocal Cooperative Agreement for Shelter Operation and Other Homeless Services (Interlocal). The purpose of the Interlocal was to establish duties, roles, and responsibilities of the governmental agencies in regard to the provision of services to the homeless in the area, including agreeing to acquire and share the cost three parcels on East 4th Street for the purpose of expanding shelter capacity in the region.

At the November 18, 2020 concurrent meeting, under item 11.5, the City of Reno approved a purchase agreement between the City of Reno, the Reno Housing Authority (RHA) and Property Owner for the approximately ±9.39-acre parcel known as the Wells

AGENDA ITEM # _____

Cargo Property (APNs 008-211-43 and 008-211-46) located at 1175 East Fourth Street, Reno, NV. The City of Reno and RHA were to take title to APN-008-211-46 and RHA was to take title to APN 008-211-43. The City of Reno and Reno Housing Authority intended to initiate a boundary adjustment within 30 days of close of escrow. After filing of the boundary adjustment and upon certain conditions being met, City of Reno was to take title to APN 008-211-046 and the RHA was to take title to APN 008-211-043. The boundary adjustment changed RHA property APN 008-211-43 to APN-211-50.

On January 13, 2021, Board of County Commissioners directed staff to pursue an expanded role in addressing the regional issue of homelessness in accordance with its Strategic Plan.

On August 30, 2021, at a concurrent meeting of the City of Reno, Washoe County and the City of Sparks, Amendment No. 2 and Extension of Interlocal Cooperative Agreement for Shelter Operation and Other Homeless Services Among (Amended Interlocal) was approved. The Amended Interlocal revised the roles and responsibilities of the government entities, including transferring the administrative and financial responsibility for the operation of homeless shelters from City of Reno to Washoe County.

On December 14, 2021, the Board accepted donation of two parcels of land from the City of Reno. The parcels were located at 1498 E. 7th Street, Reno, NV 89512 (APN 008-211-47) [assessed value of \$36,742] and 1800 Threlkel St., Reno, NV 89512 (APN 008-211-51) [assessed value of \$873,903] pursuant to the Amended Interlocal.

On January 11, 2022, the Board approved a six-month Lease Agreement between Washoe County and the Housing Authority of the City of Reno authorizing the County to occupy 1775 East 4th Street, Reno, Nevada, 89512 (APN 008-211-50), in order to provide services and shelter for people experiencing homelessness.

On April 12, 2022, the Board directed staff to proceed with purchasing property owned by Reno Housing Authority located at 1775 E 4th St, Reno, NV, 89512 (APN 008-211-50) [estimated purchase price of \$5 million] and to present the legal documents for approval at a future board meeting.

On April 26, 2022, the Board approved 1.) an Amended Lease Agreement between Washoe County and the Reno Housing Authority, for the term of December 8, 2021-June 30, 2022 pending Washoe County's purchase of 1775 East 4th Street, Reno, Nevada, 89512; and 2.) a General Fund augmentation in the amount of \$4,000,000 to provide partial funding for this real property purchase.

BACKGROUND

On November 18, 2020, at a concurrent meeting of the Sparks City Council, Reno City Council, and Washoe County Board of Commissioners, the three entities (Parties) entered into an Interlocal Cooperative Agreement for Shelter Operation and Other Homeless Services (Interlocal). The purpose of the Interlocal was to establish duties, roles and responsibilities of the governmental agencies in regard to the provision of services to the

homeless in the area, including agreeing to acquire and share the cost three parcels on East 4th Street for the purpose of expanding shelter capacity in the region.

At the November 18, 2020 concurrent meeting, under item 11.5, the City of Reno approved a purchase agreement between the City of Reno, the Reno Housing Authority and Property Owner for the approximately ±9.39-acre parcel known as the Wells Cargo Property (APNs 008-211-43 and 008-211-46) located at 1175 East Fourth Street, Reno, NV. The City of Reno and RHA were to take title to APN-008-211-46 and RHA was to take title to APN 008-211-43. The City of Reno and Reno Housing Authority intended to initiate a boundary adjustment within 30 days of close of escrow. After filing of the boundary adjustment and upon certain conditions being met, City of Reno was to take title to APN 008-211-46 and the RHA was to take title to APN 008-211-043. The boundary adjustment changed RHA property APN 008-211-043 to APN-211-50.

In May 2021, a Boundary Line Adjustment was recorded as DOC #5186448. It adjusted APN 008-211-45 (9.15 acres) located at 1775 E 4th Street, Reno, NV 89512 resulting in new APN 008-211-46 (9.15 acres). DOC #5186448 also reflects the split of APN 008-211-46 combining APN 008-211-43, owned by the Reno Housing Authority, with 4.508 acres from APN 008-211-46 creating APN 008-211-50 (4.747 acres) owned by the Reno Housing Authority and the remaining portion of APN 008-211-46 was reassigned as APN 008-211-51 (4.642 acres) owned by the City of Reno.

In August 2021, the three jurisdictions agreed to transfer the administrative and financial responsibility for the operation of homeless shelters in the region to Washoe County. In September 2021, the County took the lead at the Nevada Cares Campus. On December 14, 2021, the Board accepted donation of two parcels of land from the City of Reno by Quitclaim Deed. The parcels were located at 1498 E. 7th Street, Reno, NV 89512 (known as Governor’s Bowl APN 008-211-47) [assessed value of \$36,742] and 1800 Threlkel St., Reno, NV 89512 (APN 008-211-51) [assessed value of \$873,903].

The County has been leasing space on the parcel located at 1775 E. 4th Street, Reno, NV (APN 008-211-50) (4.747 acres) owned by the Reno Housing Authority under separate agreement since January 2022. Purchase of APN 008-211-50 can be used to support affordable housing alternatives in the region by RHA, while allowing Washoe County to pursue the development of supportive units and to provide additional shelter and related services for people experiencing homelessness.

On June 6, 2022, Washoe County had the property located at 1775 East 4th Street, Reno, Nevada, 89512 (APN 008-211-50) appraised. This is required pursuant to NRS 244.275. The appraised value is \$5,500,000.

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the board approve this Purchase and Sale Agreement, sufficient FY22 budget authority exists in the following account:

Cost Object	G/L Account	Amount
C101113 (Unified Command)	710400 (Payments to Other Agencies)	\$5,162,000

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners approve a Purchase and Sale Agreement for the acquisition of 4.747 acre property located at 1775 East 4th Street, Reno, Nevada, 89512 (APN 008-211-50) in an amount not to exceed five million one hundred fifty thousand dollars [\$5,150,000] and closing costs not to exceed [\$12,000] and authorize the Chair to execute agreement and documents in support thereof. The property will be used to provide shelter and related services for people experiencing homelessness.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be *“Move to approve a Purchase and Sale Agreement for the acquisition of 4.747 acre property located at 1775 East 4th Street, Reno, Nevada, 89512 (APN 008-211-50) in an amount not to exceed five million one hundred fifty thousand dollars [\$5,150,000] and closing costs not to exceed [\$12,000] and authorize the Chair to execute agreement and documents in support thereof. The property will be used to provide shelter and related services for people experiencing homelessness.”*