

12-01-2021 Town Council Meeting Responses to Council Questions

ITEM #5: Adopt a Resolution Allocating Funding for the Orange County Street Outreach, Harm Reduction and Deflection Program

Council Question:

Great to have this on the agenda, thank you! However, my understanding of the funding request doesn't match what is in the resolution. The cost of the 4th position is not subject to the cost-sharing agreement for this fiscal year given that the County is already fully funding the other 3 SOHRAD positions, so the amount requested of us is the full \$34,000. I think a cost sharing agreement could be explored for the next Fiscal Year.

Staff Response:

Our staff recommendation is that the Council consider a cost sharing model for this position, similar to other shared County-wide positions/programs housed in the County structure such as the Partnership to End Homelessness Coordinator and the Food Council. Assuming the position is filled in January, 2022, the Council could authorize allocating the full cost of the position for six months, estimated to be \$34,000. The Town's contribution could be less based on the hire date.