

City Manager's Office

MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 7, 2022

TO: Mayor and City Council

THROUGH: Doug Thornley, City Manager Approved Electronically

FROM: Monica Cochran, Manager, Housing and Neighborhood Development

SUBJECT: Completed - Continuum of Care Transfer to Washoe County

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On December 7, 2022, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) confirmed the transfer completion of the lead entity for the Northern Nevada Continuum of Care (CoC) from the City of Reno to Washoe County. The transfer was initiated from direction received at a joint meeting of the Reno City Council, Sparks City Council, and Washoe County Commission on August 30th, 2021.

CoC grants, which were originally awarded to the City, as the lead entity have also been transferred to Washoe County. The City will maintain a seat on the CoC's Leadership Council, and will continue to be an active member by providing support and/or direction in alignment with City priorities.

CoC's across the country oversee homeless service policies within their jurisdiction. They are responsible for convening a board of providers and local leadership, ensuring compliance with HUD policy, completing the annual competition for funding, and the annual Point in Time Count. Prior to this transfer, the City of Reno had been the lead since 1999. The City most recently oversaw the CoC Competition process for 2021 where the CoC was awarded \$2,469,674 for housing and supportive services.