RESOLUTION NO. 24-25

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH UNITED WAY OF MESA COUNTY FOR THE PROVISION OF INTERIM SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR UNHOUSED PEOPLE

RECITALS:

The City of Grand Junction continues to value collaborative, community-driven efforts to address homelessness, and housing instability. In alignment with the City Council's strategic direction, the adopted Unhoused Strategy and Implementation Plan and the expenditure of funds made pursuant thereto, the City Council acknowledges the ongoing need for the provision of services to people experiencing houselessness.

To maintain continuity of care and reduce service gaps during the transition from the Resource Center to other shelter and resource operations, the City Council by and with this Resolution authorizes the City Manager to enter into an agreement with United Way of Mesa County (UWMCMC) for the City to temporarily fund the provision of unhoused services at 1129 Colorado Ave Grand Junction, CO 81501 ("Project"). The City funding may be used for the provision of services including but not limited to, basic needs access (such as food, restrooms, showers), service navigation, housing-focused case management, and connection to behavioral and physical health resources as outlined in plan dated May 14, 2025 submitted by the Service Provided ("Plan"). The Plan, which informs the Project, is attached and incorporated by this reference as if fully set forth.

The Project will ensure a continued presence of services at the Project location and when delivered the services are intended to help prevent the disruption of critical support for vulnerable community members while longer-term plans are being developed and implemented. UWMC will deliver services in coordination with other partners and alignment with City Council housing stability and community safety goals.

The City Council authorizes the City Manager to contribute funds to support the delivery of services as outlined in the P through Quarter 3 of 2025.

After September 1, 2025, continued funding may occur on a month-to-month basis, subject to a 30-day advance notice of termination.

The City will be issuing a Request for Proposals (RFP) which may identify alternative service providers or site operations. Depending on the outcome of the RFP, there may be opportunities for UWMC to transition into or establish a business relationship with the selected provider(s) to continue delivering services as part of an integrated or restructured model.

The City Council has appropriated funds in the 2025 budget, and the City Manager is authorized by and with this Resolution to execute an agreement with UWMC to initiate and oversee the implementation of this Project and expend funds as provided herein for the purposes described.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Grand Junction authorizes the City Manager to execute an agreement with UWMCMC for the temporary funding and support of provision of interim unhoused resource services consistent with this Resolution with this agreement, and in accordance with the budgeted appropriation authority.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 21st day of May 2025.

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President of the City Council

ATTEST:

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City Clerk