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Amendment 4 to CB 120093 - 2021 Federal ARPA Funds

Sponsor: Councilmember Herbold

Modify intent language regarding RVs.

Amend Section 8, adding a new subsection G, as follows, and renumber accordingly:

Section 8. Statement of Intent.

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G. Section 6, line 6.21: \$500,000 is allocated to the Human Services Department (HSD) to support a six-month pilot to serve people experiencing homelessness who are living in recreational vehicles (RVs), such as a staffed safe parking lot, case management to move those living in RVs into permanent housing, services to meet the basic needs of RV residents utilizing the safe lot, or RV storage for households that accept housing or shelter placements. At least a portion of the funds are intended to support storage of RVs for households that accept housing or shelter placements.

Effect: This amendment expresses Council's intent for appropriations to serve people experiencing homelessness who reside in recreational vehicles (RVs). The pilot is intended to last six months. At least some funding would support the storage of RVs for households that accept housing or shelter placements. To the degree funds are not used for RV storage, the pilot would support a safe lot for RVs and the associated case management and basic needs supports. It is expected that providing storage of RVs may give people living in RVs more confidence in an accepting an offer to move to a more permanent housing situation or shelter by providing assurance that the household could still move back into the RV if the placement was not successful.