## License Agreement 3815 N. Steele Street

FINGOV Committee November 16, 2021



## **Requested Council Action**

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# Safe Outdoor Spaces

History of SOS intervention model locally

Why SOS

Ties to HOST 5 Year Strategic Plan



## **Safe Outdoor Spaces**

- Budget for SOS in HOST
  - American Rescue Plan Act: \$4.3 million\*
- HOST and CVC negotiating for 2022 contract amendment & extension



<sup>\*</sup>Funding allocated to support alternatives to shelter including Safe Outdoor Spaces expansion, Tiny Home Village expansion, Safe Outdoor Parking pilot

## **Safe Outdoor Spaces - Details**

Safe Outdoor Spaces are healthy, secure, staffed, resource and service-rich environments that provide an outdoor, individualized sheltering option for people experiencing unsheltered homelessness in Denver

| Resources            | Services                       |  |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| Bathrooms            | Daily Wellness Screenings      |  |
| Hand Sinks           | COVID Testing Available        |  |
| Food/Meals           | Hotel Referrals                |  |
| Clean Drinking Water | Outreach Services              |  |
| Laundry              | Homelessness Management Intake |  |
| Showers              | Housing Referrals              |  |
| Shade Tents          | <b>Employment Referrals</b>    |  |
| Electricity          | Benefits Navigation            |  |
| Internet             |                                |  |



#### **How Are Residents Selected?**

 Safe Outdoor Spaces do not operate on a walk-up, first come first serve basis. Residents are identified by professional outreach teams and referred to the SOS before being accepted and provided relocation assistance

| Step 1                 | Step 2                             | Step 3                        | Step 4                   | Step 5                      |
|------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Encampment<br>Outreach | Potential<br>Resident<br>Screening | Referrals from outreach teams | Relocation<br>Assistance | Intake and Use<br>Agreement |



## **Safe Outdoor Spaces - Statistics**

- 120+ households served
- 17 longer term housing connections
- 18 employment connections
- 350+ case management appointments
- 0% positive COVID testing rate
- 25 Full Time Jobs created





#### **Site Selection**



- 3815 N. Steele Street is a City owned site and the location of the Denver Human Service East Office
- This will be the first SOS shelter located on City owned property
- Adjacency to DHS facilitates outreach to the SOS residents for crossover with DHS services



## **Safe Outdoor Spaces - Steele Street**

- Dates: Dec. 14, 2021 Nov. 30, 2022
- Staffed and managed 24/7
- Site will support up to 41 tents with capacity to serve up to 50 residents including singles, couples, pets, people with disabilities and more
- Durable tents are equipped with electricity, will be heated to keep residents warm in colder months, are uniform in style and will house residents within a fenced area





#### 3815 N. Steele Street



- Located in the SW portion of Denver Human Services East Office parking lot
- Sufficient parking will remain for DHS employees and customers
- Intent is for residents of Park
   Hill United Methodist Church
   SOS to relocate to this location
   upon expiration of church lease
   in December



### **Lease Agreement Terms**

- One-year term with two six-month renewal options at City's discretion
- Lease rate is \$10 per year
- Either party may terminate with 6 months notice
- License Agreement is supported by existing service contract between CVC and the City



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# **Questions?**

