



Council Agenda Report

To: Mayor Silverstein and the Honorable Members of the City Council

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Reviewed by: Susan Dueñas, Public Safety Director

Approved by: Steve McClary, City Manager

Date prepared: April 18, 2023 Meeting date: May 8, 2023

Subject: Disbandment of the Homelessness Task Force

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve Resolution No. 23-20 disbanding the Homelessness Task Force (Task Force) and reassigning Task Force Charter assignments to the Public Safety Commission.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no fiscal impact associated with the recommended action.

WORK PLAN: This item was included as part of 1.k., 1.l., 1.m. in the Adopted Work Plan for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

DISCUSSION: At the July 21, 2021, City Council Special Meeting to discuss issues related to homelessness, the Council established the Homelessness Task Force (Task Force) and its Charter that included six assignments. At the April 10, 2023, Regular City Council Meeting, the City Council reviewed the progress made by the Homelessness Task Force on completing their six Charter assignments.

While much has been accomplished by the Task Force, the ten-member body has had increasing difficulty with keeping members and meeting quorum requirements. Staff expressed concern that these difficulties will increase even more when in-person meetings resume. Since many of the Charter assignments have been completed, and some of the issues overlap with issues being addressed by the Public Safety Commission, the City Council moved to disband the Homelessness Task Force and transfer all ongoing assignments to the Public Safety Commission.

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 23-20 disbanding the Task Force and reassigning the tasks of the Homelessness Task Force to the Public Safety Commission.

ATTACHMENTS: Resolution No. 23-20

RESOLUTION NO. 23-20

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MALIBU
DISBANDING THE HOMELESSNESS TASK FORCE AND REASSIGNING ITS
CHARTER ASSIGNMENTS TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION

The City Council of the City of Malibu does hereby find, order and resolve as follows:

SECTION 1. Recitals.

A. The City Council created the Homelessness Task Force and its Charter on July 21, 2021, by Resolution No. 21-43.

B. Since August 12, 2021, the 10-member Task Force has met monthly and has taken many actions toward completing the six assignments outlined by the Charter.

C. The Task Force reviewed and updated the Homelessness Strategic Plan goals and objectives.

D. The Task Force reviewed the concept, need and possible implementation of an Alternative Sleeping Location, and made a recommendation to the City Council to procure interim shelter beds dedicated for Malibu's use.

E. The Task Force developed a plan to mitigate public safety and environmental impacts, particularly fires related to homeless encampments and provided a recommendation to the City Council.

F. The Task Force explored new ideas to address homelessness, researched strategies used by other jurisdictions, and identified best practices that could be implemented in Malibu.

G. The Task Force explored the development of a robust public engagement and outreach plan and provided a recommendation to the City Council.

H. Since the beginning of 2023 the Homelessness Task Force has lost three members and has struggled to meet the required quorum of six members to hold a meeting.

SECTION 2. The City Council has considered the above accomplishments and circumstances and hereby disbands the Homelessness Task Force and reassigns all remaining tasks to the Public Safety Commission.

SECTION 3. City staff shall oversee the transfer of assignments to the Public Safety Commission and brief Commissioners on the achievements of the Homelessness Task Force and their ongoing tasks moving forward.

SECTION 4. The City Clerk shall certify the passage and adoption of this resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 8th day of May 2023.

BRUCE SILVERSTEIN, Mayor

ATTEST:

KELSEY PETTIJOHN, City Clerk
(seal)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
THIS DOCUMENT HAS BEEN REVIEWED
BY THE CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

TREVOR RUSIN, Interim City Attorney