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Mayor Ezzy Ashcraft & City Council:

Here is information in response to Council questions.

Thanks

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Please see below if you choose to share with council members.

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1. Where in report and presentation is demographic information about today's (or most current and why relevant or not) homeless population in the City of Alameda? For example, age, background, parent, children, underpaid, mental health, etc. What info does the City have?

This preliminary report is a snapshot of the strategies and goals that a community of stakeholders have provided for consideration thus far. To date, it only reflects the findings from our initial community engagement process. The Final Strategic Plan will include a much more thorough

explanation of demographics, the current system, the housing landscape, and more.

Alameda County tracks demographic data on homelessness at both the County and City level, and we've been working with them to obtain this data for Alameda. We recently received our first batch, and have some initial results – please see the attached slides. If you like, we can add these to the end of the presentation to be used as reference during the discussion – please advise.

## 2. Environmental Scan: Causes.

**Where is data that connects those causes with today's homeless?**

When Homebase conducted its environmental scan (a process Homebase completes to better understand the communities they work with), they reviewed two key documents that outlined causes, needs, and possible strategies for responding to homelessness. These were: (1) the Alameda County's 2018 Strategic Update the Plan to End Homelessness, prepared by EveryOne Home and (2) the 2018 Report on Homelessness approved by the Alameda City Council. While these documents are a few years old, they provided a good starting place for understanding the landscape regarding homelessness in Alameda. These reports are linked below. The causes of homelessness highlighted in the Environmental Scan came directly from these reports, and are intended to be a starting point for further evaluation and understanding of the causes of homelessness in Alameda.

*In response to the question about discriminatory housing from Councilmember Herrera Spencer's voicemail:* The reports referenced above noted that there may be exclusionary housing policies that impact the ability for homeless households to secure housing. Currently, the working strategy in the Emerging Goals & Strategies memo presents the action step of assessing whether policies like exclusionary housing are having the intended effects. No conclusion has been made at this time.

**Report of Homelessness referenced but no link and from 2018, spring, almost three years old. Where's link? Where's analysis that's relevant to the majority of today's homeless (i.e., unsheltered)?**

The Alameda Homelessness Report was approved by City Council in March of 2018, and can be found on the City's website here: <https://www.alamedaca.gov/files/assets/public/alameda-homelessness-report.pdf>

The EveryoneOne Home Plan can be found on the City's website here: <https://www.alamedaca.gov/files/assets/public/everyone-home-strategic-update-report-final.pdf>

## 3. Steering Committee.

**a. Public meetings of this Steering Committee? When? Links to minutes.**

These meetings were not open to the public, and we did not take minutes.

**b. Who chose members?**

Staff chose the members of the Steering Committee, with input from Homebase.

**c. Links to all written info they were provided by City.**

The only written document we have sent the Steering Committee for review was the draft Emerging Strategies document - the same version that is going to City Council for review tonight.

**d. Data of parking lot at Point. Previously requested how many spaces used vs. available nightly? Any info about users? Repeat users, services utilized, demographics, do we need another lot (e.g., City Hall parking lot)?** The Safe Parking Program has 25 spaces available, with an average of 10-12 spaces used nightly. No additional site is needed at this time. Attached is the most current data we have on the demographics of the Safe Parking Program participants.

We've attempted to provide very thorough responses to you based on the time available. I hope this is helpful!

**ALAMEDA SAFE PARKING PROGRAM**

**August 17, 2020 - February 28, 2021**

	Without Children	With Children & Adults
<b>Persons Served</b>		
Number of adults (age 18 or over)	28	5
Number of children (under age 18)	10	
<b>TOTAL UNDUPLICATED PERSONS SERVED</b>	<b>38</b>	

<b>Gender</b>	
Male	19
Female	17
Trans Female (MTF or Male to Female)	0
Trans Male (FTM or Female to Male)	0
Gender Non-Conforming (i.e. not exclusively male or female)	0
Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused	2
Data Not Collected	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>38</b>

<b>Race &amp; Ethnicity</b>	
White	10
Black or African American	8
Asian	5
Hispanic/Latino	4
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	2
Multiple Races	2
American Indian or Alaska Native	0
Data Not Collected/Unknown	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>38</b>

	White	Black or African American	Asian	American Indian or Alaska Native	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	Multiple Races
<b>Exit Destinations by Race</b>						
Rental by client, no ongoing housing subsidy	2					
Staying or living with family, permanent tenure			1			
Staying or living with friends, permanent tenure			1			4
Hotel or motel paid for without emergency shelter voucher	1	1				
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>