OPERATING BUDGET FISCAL NOTE

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

CONTACT DEPARTMENT(S):

FUND:

9/30/21

Austin Water

Wastewater Fund

SUBJECT: Approve an ordinance waiving Austin Water/Wastewater fees and other development fees associated with The Other Ones Foundations construction at Esperanza Community.

CURRENT YEAR ESTIMATED IMPACT:

Fees Waived (Estimated):

\$115,200 Austin Water Tap Fee

\$115,200 Total Fees Waived

ANALYSIS / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: If approved, this ordinance will waive certain Austin Water tap fees. These waivers will assist in accomplishing the City's goal of increasing the number and percentage of persons successfully exiting homelessness, a strategic outcome indicator in the Austin Strategic Directions 2023 Plan, and identified by council as its top priority. The project associated with the fees, Esperanza Community, being developed by The Other Ones Foundation, is a housing solution-focused non-congregate shelter complex with 200 individual non-congregate shelter units. The shelter complex will provide services and support for persons exiting homelessness as they prepare to move to permanent housing. Waiving the fees will allow The Other Ones Foundation to immediately begin developing the complex and temporarily relocating Esperanza Community residents in order to bring the shelter units onsite, units that our community desperately needs to serve our neighbors experiencing homelessness.