## CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2021-324

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: May 25, 2021

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F, R

Date of Analysis: May 26, 2021

**Type of Action:** Appropriation; invocation of procurement exception; authorization of grant agreement; authorization to reallocate funds.

**Bill Summary:** The bill appropriates a \$560,440 Emergency Solutions Grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to fund activities aimed at addressing homelessness. It invokes the exception in Section 126.107(g) of the Procurement Code to allow for a non-competitive direct contract with Changing Homelessness, Inc. to provide services and authorizes execution of a grant agreement with the organization. The bill authorizes reallocation of the federal grant funds to other eligible uses if Changing Homelessness is unable or unwilling to complete the work contemplated in the agreement.

**Background Information:** The ESG grant will fund activities and services that engage homeless individuals and families living on the street; improve the number and quality of emergency shelters for homeless individuals and families; help operate these shelters; provide essential services to shelter residents; rapidly re house homeless individuals and families; and prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless. A portion of the ESG funds will be used for costs associated with administration of the ESG program.

Policy Impact Area: Homelessness programs

Fiscal Impact: Appropriating \$560,440

Analyst: Distel