Ivins City Staff Report
City Council Meeting 04/16/2026

Agenda Item: Consider Participation in Switchpoint Shelter Funding Contribution Request

Recommended City Council Action: None

BACKGROUND:
Ivins City does not have a shelter and relies on the services provided Switchpoint Community Resource Center to address homelessness needs.

The City already contributes to the statewide efforts as there is a mandatory deduction from our Statewide sales tax distribution that is allocated to the State Shelter fund. Currently this deduction is approximately $40,000 per year. However, recent legislation from the State has indicated that additional state funding will be made available to local shelters if additional matching funds are contributed by local cities and counties.

FINDINGS AND ANALYSIS:
Washington County, in coordination with the Switchpoint Community Resource Center, has responded to this by requesting that municipalities within the County consider contributing based on shelter usage. The attached documents show the shelter usage for all communities in the County. Ivins City residents represent 4 percent of the shelter usage by Washington County residents.

Washington County has established three contribution tiers based on percentage of shelter usage:

- 0–1% usage: $5,000
- 2–5% usage: $10,000
- 6%+ usage: $20,000

The total requested contributions from all jurisdictions if everyone participates is equal approximately $130,000 annually.

Based on the data provided, the Ivins City represents approximately 4% of shelter usage and falls within the 2–5% tier. The proposed contribution amount for Ivins under this model is $10,000. This item is presented for City Council discussion to determine whether the City wishes to participate in the proposed funding model.

SUPPORT MATERIALS:

- Switchpoint Shelter Usage Chart (Past 5 Years – Washington County Only)
- Tiered Contribution Breakdown

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
If the City elects to participate at the proposed tier level, the anticipated annual contribution would be $10,000. Funding sources would need to be identified and appropriated within the City's budget.

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