

From: webmaster@shorelinewa.gov
To: [agenda comments](#)
Subject: City of Shoreline Agenda Comments
Date: Friday, March 11, 2016 6:29:06 AM

A new entry to a form/survey has been submitted.

Form Name: Comment on Agenda Items
Date & Time: 03/11/2016 6:29 AM
Response #: 124
Submitter ID: 7048
IP address: 97.126.69.13
Time to complete: 22 min. , 49 sec.

Survey Details: Answers Only

Page 1

1. William Bear
2. Shoreline
3. (o) Briarcrest
4. flyingbear2@gmail.com
5. 03/14/2016
6. 9a-1
7. I am in favor of the staff recommendations to increase the human services budget. The financial impact of the proposed changes looks at the increased expenditures in the Shoreline budget. A better approach to the financial impact is to look at the cost of not increasing the human services budget. We are seeing increased criminal activity. More of our children experiencing poverty. We have increased cost of police services to meet mental health needs and jail costs. We see increased medical costs which may not impact the City budget directly but contribute to quality of life and productivity issues in the community. The proposed human service programs focusing on prevention and early intervention could actually reduce the total City expenditures over time.

Using data from the 65 cities -- of all different sizes and demographics -- the cost of keeping people on the street added up to between \$35,000 and \$150,000 per person per year, Mangano said.

Philip Mangano, the former homelessness policy czar under President George W. Bush. Mangano helped expand housing-first programs -- with federal dollars behind them -- into cities around the country.

Conversely, after the housing-first programs had been established, Mangano said, he looked at the cost of keeping formerly homeless people housed. That range: \$13,000 to \$25,000 per person per year.

"We learned that you could either sustain people in homelessness for \$35,000 to \$150,000 a year,

or you could literally end their homelessness for \$13,000 to \$25,000 a year," he said.

8. (o) Support

Thank you,
City of Shoreline

This is an automated message generated by the Vision Content Management System™. Please do not reply directly to this email.