



February 12, 2016

Dear Mr. Logan:

Please accept my sincere appreciation for your work as the Director of Special Initiatives related to chronic homelessness. You tackled this very difficult challenge with energy, dedication, and integrity. Your efforts have clearly resulted in significant progress over the past seven months.

Through your efforts, our five year consolidated plan has been reshaped to emphasize Housing First in the years ahead. Your efforts to strengthen the statewide coalition to address chronic homelessness and the visit you facilitated to Salt Lake City provided invaluable insight to me as we chart the course ahead.

Since your arrival, Housing First has become an organizing foundation for our community to better address chronic homelessness throughout the city and county. I am optimistic that key social service, philanthropic, medical, and criminal justice partners will continue to collaborate around the proven success and promise of Housing First.

Your effort to secure a \$250,000 state grant appears as if it will bear fruit. Your dialogues with potential donors to Housing First have begun to create a new consideration for those in position to help direct resources to end this very difficult social problem and quality of community life issue.

The recent initiative to contract for beds at the Salvation Army which are now available to our street homeless outreach team are providing additional evidence that Housing First strategies are working, adding on to the incredible success the community has had related to housing homeless veterans. I do not believe it is a coincidence that there has been a decrease in homelessness since your initiative has begun.

Unfortunately, legal restraints under interpretations of Florida law limit your ability to advance the efforts to raise significant amounts of Housing First capital within the constraints of governmental employment.

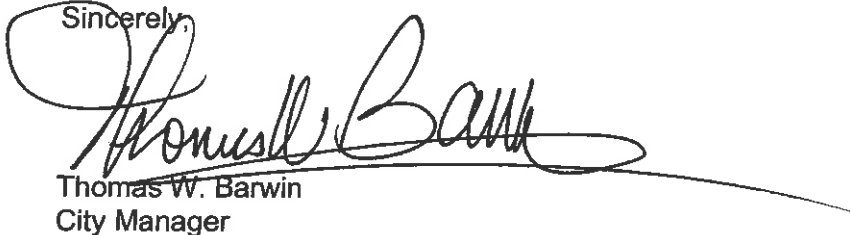
Although your tenure as a City employee was brief, your positive impact has been significant.

With your strategic work here now accomplished, I concur with our mutual conclusion for your return to the private sector.

As you transition back to the private sector, please provide my office with a list of key Housing First contacts, completed research, and Housing First advocates/activists by close of business on February 29, 2016.

Please accept my heartfelt thanks and best wishes for the next chapter of your life.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Thomas W. Barwin", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Thomas W. Barwin  
City Manager