

October 10, 2023

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Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to amend Contract No. 34880 with the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health, including any subsequent amendments to extend the term of the agreement or the grant award, to accept and expend additional funding in the amount of \$344,496 for a total grant award of \$52,461,627 for public health emergency preparedness and response services. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

On September 12, 2017, the City Council approved a contract with the County of Los Angeles (County), Department of Public Health in the amount of \$898,411, to provide bioterrorism preparedness and public health infrastructure development, for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, with the option to renew for four additional one-year terms through June 30, 2022. With the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, the County delayed the onset of a new five-year agreement with the City of Long Beach (City), opting to extend the existing public health agreement, including the introduction of new and vital funds like the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) and Public Health Crisis Workforce Development grants that aided the Department of Health and Human Services (Health Department) in mitigating the pandemic.

The Health Department is requesting an extension to the existing contract with the County, to allow for the acceptance of \$149,989 in funding for nursing homes and long-term care facilities and \$194,507 to support Monkeypox Crisis (MPX) response efforts. The County will initiate a new five-year agreement next year that is anticipated to take effect July 1, 2024.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Anita Lakhani and Budget Analysis Officer Greg Sorensen on September 18, 2023.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on October 3, 2023, to continue the many projects supported by this funding without interruption.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The City will receive up to \$52,461,627 in grant funding for the period of July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2024, of which \$46,023,631 has been used for the COVID-19 response, ELC Enhancing Detection, ELC Enhancing Detection Expansion, Crisis Public Health Workforce Development, ELC Schools Reopening, and ELC Nursing Home and Long-term Care Facility Strike Teams; and \$5,537,464 has been used for public health emergency preparedness and response services. These funds have been previously authorized by the City Council. Sufficient appropriation exists in the Health Fund Group in the Health and Human Services Department, offset with grant revenue. Any indirect costs that might not ultimately be eligible for grant funds will be funded by the Health Operating Fund, General Fund, or other eligible funds. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. No match or in-kind service mandate is required, and there is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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DIRECTOR
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:



THOMAS B. MODICA
CITY MANAGER