

CITY OF LONG BEACH

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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to execute a subcontract agreement with South Bay Center for Counseling for Family Support Program Activities/Services for an 11-month period, from August 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006, in an amount not to exceed \$29,000; and authorize the City Manager to execute any amendments changing the amounts of the subcontract or extending the subcontract term. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

Since 1997, the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has provided services under the Family Support Program. The program is funded by the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services, through the South Bay Center for Counseling, which acts as a lead agency for the Family Support Program in Service Planning Area 8.

Under the agreement, the DHHS provides Structured Parent-Child and/or Family-Centered Activities in conjunction with the Department's Community Family Preservation Network. Services are provided in cooperation with other City Departments and community-based organizations. Activities include family dinner nights, parent-child trips to sporting and cultural events, and a community holiday party. Activities like these are important to provide individuals with parenting skills and to build family socialization. The target service area for the Family Support Program is the entire City of Long Beach. Last year, the program served 1,793 children and 808 adults.

This matter was reviewed by Senior Deputy City Attorney Donna F. Gwin and Budget Management Officer David Wodynski on September 21, 2005.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on October 4, 2005, as the DHHS has been providing services under this agreement since August 1, 2005, but cannot recover costs from the South Bay Center for Counseling until the subcontract is approved.

FISCAL IMPACT

The amount of the agreement is \$29,000 from August 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006. All revenue from reimbursements through this program will be deposited in the Health Fund (SR 130) and in the Department of Health and Human Services (HE). Sufficient funds have been appropriated for Fiscal Year 2006 for this activity.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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DIRECTOR

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:

GERALD R. MILLER CITY MANAGER