

RESOLUTION NO. RES-23-0147

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO WITH FORENSIC NURSE SPECIALISTS, INC. WITHOUT ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR THE SEXUAL ASSAULT RESPONSE TEAM SERVICES IN A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$60,000 FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS, WITH THE OPTION TO RENEW FOR TWO ADDITIONAL ONE-YEAR PERIODS, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CITY MANAGER

WHEREAS, City Council approval is requested to enter into a contract with Forensic Nurse Specialists, Inc. for providing Sexual Assault Response Team services; and

WHEREAS, the Long Beach Police Department (“LBPD”) relies on the expertise of forensic professionals to perform examinations of victims and/or subjects when investigating sexual assault cases and per California Penal Code 13823, these exams must be performed by a qualified healthcare professional, hospital, or other emergency medical facility; and

WHEREAS, Forensic Nurse Specialists, Inc. is the only vendor in the greater Long Beach area that provides medical evidentiary examinations for child abuse, sexual assault, and domestic violence victims around-the-clock; and

WHEREAS, they also have experts who conduct forensic interviews and provide reports that LBPD can use when filing cases with the District Attorney;

WHEREAS, additionally Forensic Nurse Specialists, Inc. provides testimony during criminal proceedings, as well as treatment for victims of sexual assault; and

1 WHEREAS, City has contracted with Forensic Nurse Specialists, Inc. since
2 July 1994 and they have proven to provide reliable and timely on-call nurses at a
3 reasonable cost

4 WHEREAS, as a result, no useful purpose would be served by advertising
5 for bids and to do so would constitute an idle and useless act and an unnecessary
6 expenditure of public funds;

7 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as
8 follows:

9 Section 1. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated
10 herein.

11 Section 2. The City Manager is hereby authorized to enter a contract,
12 and any necessary documents including any amendments thereto with Nurse Forensic
13 Specialists, Inc., of Los Alamitos, California, for the Sexual Assault Response Team
14 Services, in a total amount not to exceed Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00), for a
15 period of three (3) years, with the option to renew for two (2) additional one-year periods,
16 at the discretion of the City Manager.

17 Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption
18 by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

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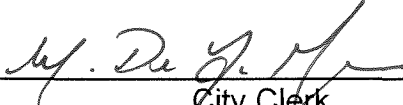
I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of October 10, 2023 by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Zendejas, Allen, Duggan, Supernaw, Kerr, Saro, Uranga, Austin, Ricks-Oddie.

Noes: Councilmembers: None.

Absent: Councilmembers: None.

Recusal(s): Councilmembers: None.



City Clerk