

# CITY OF LONG BEACH

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HOMELESS SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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August 11, 2015

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt the recommendation of the Homeless Services Advisory Committee to allocate \$22,500 of the of Mayor's Fund for the Homeless to the Alliance for Housing and Healing; authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all necessary documents between the City of Long Beach and the Alliance for Housing and Healing for the provision of services for the homeless; and

Increase appropriations in the General Fund (GF) in the Health and Human Services Department (HE) by \$22,500. (Citywide)

## **DISCUSSION:**

On September 14, 1990, the City Council approved an ordinance establishing the Mayor's Fund for the Homeless (Mayor's Fund). Since January of 1992, a solicitation envelope for the Mayor's Fund has been included in the City's utility bill each year and the Mayor's Fund receives an average of \$25,000 in contributions annually.

On July 1, 2015, the Homeless Services Advisory Committee (HSAC) held a meeting to discuss a special allocation of the Mayor's Fund. At that time, the available balance of the Mayor's Fund was \$107,319. HSAC recommends that a portion of the Mayor's Fund, in the amount of \$22,500, be allocated to the Alliance for Housing and Healing for the provision of homeless services, with the balance to remain in the Mayor's Fund to accrue interest. One hundred percent of these funds will be used exclusively for securing appliances and furniture for 18 supportive apartment units that will house chronically homeless individuals with HIV/AIDS and/or other chronic health conditions in the City of Long Beach. The operational period for the funds will be from August 11, 2015 through December 31, 2016.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda Vu on July 14, 2015 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on July 17, 2015.

#### TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this item is requested on August 11, 2015, so that the Department of Health and Human Services, Homeless Services Division may prepare a contract with this agency, effective the date of Council approval.

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### FISCAL IMPACT

Funds are allocated from donations to the Mayor's Fund Expendable Trust (EX 440). An increase in appropriations in the amount of \$22,500 is requested in the General Fund (GF) in the Department of Health and Human Services (HE) and is included in the recommendation. Appropriations are fully offset by revenue from the Expendable Trust. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

#### SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

PAULA BARROW

CHAIR

HOMELESS SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

KELLY COLOPY

**DIRECTOR** 

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** 

APPROVED:

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