



CITY OF LONG BEACH **R-23**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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February 7, 2012

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all necessary documents and any subsequent amendments between the City of Long Beach and the State of California Department of Public Health (CDPH) for the Women, Infants and Children Nutrition Supplement Program, in the amount of \$15,693,000 for a period of three years, from October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2014. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

Since 1974, the Department of Health and Human Services (Health Department) has operated the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Nutrition Supplement Program for low-income families through a contract with the State of California Department of Public Health (CDPH). This program provides nutrition education through in-group and individual counseling, supplemental food vouchers, breastfeeding support and health and social services referral to eligible participants through five WIC sites throughout the City.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda Trang on January 18, 2012 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on January 24, 2012.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on February 7, 2012, as the Department has been providing services under this agreement since October 1, 2011, but cannot recover costs from the State until the agreement is approved. This item is occurring at this time due to delays at the State level in processing this agreement.

FISCAL IMPACT

The amount of the State-funded agreement is \$4,806,000 for FY 2012, of which \$4,249,147 is currently authorized based on the Department's current caseload. The remaining amount of \$556,853 is not authorized to be expended at this time. Should the State determine that full funding is available later during the fiscal year and the Department reaches certain thresholds, the remaining funds will be authorized by the State. Appropriations for the FY 2013 and FY 2014 grant years will be included as part of the budget process for those respective years. There is no impact on the General Fund, no City match of funds, and no net impact to jobs associated with this action.

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SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve the recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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DIRECTOR
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:



PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER