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RESOLUTION NO. RES-21-0046

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH SVM, LP, WITHOUT ADVERTISING FOR BIDS, TO PURCHASE ASNEEDED GIFT CARDS TO BE ISSUED AS SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS IN TRAINING OR SEEKING EMPLOYMENT SERVICES, IN A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$245,000 FOR THE PERIOD OF NOVEMBER 1, 2020 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2021

WHEREAS, participants of Pacific Gateway who are enrolled in Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act and/or special project programs may be provided supportive services (i.e. gift cards) when it is determined that such services are necessary to enable their participation in programs and when participants cannot afford to pay for services on their own; and

WHEREAS, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there is an increase in need for supportive services for individuals impacted by the loss of jobs and reduction of hours; and

WHEREAS, SVM, LP provides a wide selection of gift cards for multiple vendors in varied amounts; and

WHEREAS, SVM, LP is the sole vendor capable of assisting and providing the Pacific Gateway with gift cards at a reasonable cost, waiving fees, and offering a wide selection of gift cards to ensure supportive services for residents and enrolled participants; and

WHEREAS, as a result, no useful purpose would be served by advertising for bids and to do so would constitute an idle and useless act and an unnecessary