

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 an agreement with Los Angeles County to provide Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome Health Education/Risk Reduction and Prevention Services in the amount of \$208,955, for a period of two years; and increase appropriations in the Health Fund (SR 130) and the Department of Health and Human Services (HE) by \$104.478 for the period from January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

For the past nine years, the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has been providing Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (HIV/AIDS) health education/risk reduction and prevention services programs through an agreement with the Los Angeles County Office of AIDS Prevention and Policy. The programs are intended to provide services to target populations of women at sexual risk, men who have sex with men, and men who have sex with men and women in the South Bay area. During the previous fiscal year, the programs reached over 1,450 adolescents through outreach, 370 through risk-reduction workshops, and 21 through intensive one-onone counseling sessions. Post-intervention assessments found that most participants stated that they knew the steps needed to protect themselves from HIV infection and that they would use at least one risk-reduction behavior for protection.

The new agreement will consolidate two projects into a single program with the same goals of increasing education on HIV transmission among behavior-risk groups and promote behavior change. The new agreement will also provide funding which will allow the DHHS to provide services for an additional 2 years, from January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2006.

This matter was reviewed by Senior Deputy City Attorney Donna F. Gwin on April 20, 2005, and by Budget Management Officer David Wodynski on April 19, 2005.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

The DHHS has been providing services under this amendment since January 1, 2005. City Council action on this matter is requested on May 3, 2005, as the City will be unable to recover costs until the contract is approved.

FISCAL IMPACT

The total amount of the agreement is for \$104,478 in calendar year 2005 and \$104,477 in calendar year 2006. An increase in appropriations for the current fiscal year is included in the recommended action. Appropriation requests for subsequent fiscal years will be handled through the annual budget adoption process.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPROVED:

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