

CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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April 11, 2017

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute an agreement, and any subsequent amendments, with Public Health Foundation Enterprises (PHFE), to accept funding in the amount of \$173,415, to enhance local response to Zika epidemiology and surveillance, for the period of March 1, 2017 through July 31, 2018. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION:

Since 2002, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has awarded the County of Los Angeles funding for bioterrorism preparedness and public health infrastructure development to provide for the response to a bioterrorist threat or other public health emergency in Long Beach, including infectious diseases. In more recent years, the Health and Human Services Department received funding to prepare for, and respond to H1N1 and Ebola Virus Disease. The additional allotment of \$173,415 from PHFE awarded from the CDC, will build on these efforts, strengthening the City's capacity to respond to Zika virus through increased surveillance, investigation and diagnosis. This funding will also strengthen the City's core Public Health Preparedness Capabilities established by the CDC, which include community preparedness, emergency operations coordination, emergency public information and warning, information sharing, mass care, medical countermeasure dispensing, medical material management and distribution, non-pharmaceutical interventions, public health laboratory testing, public health surveillance and epidemiological investigation, responder health and safety, and volunteer management.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda T. Vu on March 21, 2017 and by Revenue Management Officer Geraldine Alejo on March 27, 2017.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on April 11, 2017, to begin implementing this program.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The City will receive reimbursement funding in the amount of \$173,415, for the period of March 1, 2017 through July 31, 2018, to enhance local response efforts to the Zika virus. Sufficient funds are currently budgeted in the Health Fund (SR 130) in the Health and Human Services Department (HE). No match or in-kind service mandate is required, and there is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

KELLY COLOPY, DIRECTOR

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:

PATRICK H. WEST