



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager to execute all documents with Community Hospital of Long Beach to provide emergency room services to Long Beach jail inmates for an amount not to exceed

\$300,000 for a period of one year, with an option to renew the agreement for two additional consecutive periods of one year each, at the City Manager's discretion. (Citywide)

Since 1984, at the request of the Police Department, the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has been coordinating the jail medical services program. This involves administering operational agreements with local physicians and hospitals to ensure required medical services to inmates of the Long Beach City Jail. During the past 19 years, the DHHS has provided State-mandated jail health, sexual assault and in-custody medical services utilizing several service agreements.

The current contract with Community Hospital of Long Beach expired on April 30, 2005. Given the quality, reliability and costs of the services provided, the DHHS is requesting to renew the agreement with Community Hospital of Long Beach for the next 12-month period for an amount not to exceed \$300,000. This amount reflects the current costs needed to provide these services.

This matter was reviewed by Senior Deputy City Attorney Donna Gwin on June 2, 2005 and by Budget Management Officer David Wodynski on June 1, 2005

The term of the current agreement ended April 30, 2005. City Council action is requested on June 21, 2005 to expedite payment for emergency room services for Long Beach City Jail Inmates.

Sufficient funds have been budgeted in the General Fund (GP) and the Department of Health and Human Services (HE) to support this activity

Approve recommendation.

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