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City of Long Beach

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute a Facility Use Permit (FUP) with the Regents of the University of California, for use of the Multi Service Center, for a one-year period, April 19, 2021 through April 18, 2022, with the option to renew for one additional one-year term upon a determination by the City Manager that the permittee has fully complied with the terms and conditions of the FUP and are otherwise in good standing with the City. (Citywide)

The City of Long Beach Health and Human Services Department (Health Department), Homeless Services Division, oversees the Multi Service Center (MSC) at 1301 W. 12th Street, which provides services to individuals and families experiencing homelessness such as case management, outreach services, intake and assessment services, as well as referrals to shelters and other social service programs.

In addition to the Health Department, seven social service agencies occupy office space at the MSC to provide critical resources and housing linkages to Long Beach residents experiencing homelessness. Agencies utilizing space at the MSC are required to be nonprofit agencies and address a critical need at the local level. Space is provided based upon availability and priority need for the population served. All agencies must meet City insurance requirements. As per City requirements, the occupant agencies must execute a FUP with the City.

The Regents of the University of California have requested to partner with the Health Department by entering into a FUP for space at the MSC to initiate a program to provide medical care for substance abuse treatment from a mobile clinic to people experiencing homelessness. The goal of the mobile clinic program is to conduct a year-long study around opiate use treatment. This is part of a larger study that the University of California, Los Angeles, is conducting to determine the efficacy around providing mobile opiate treatment services for hard to reach populations. This project would focus on services to low-income households, with an increased focus and engagement of people experiencing homelessness. The work of the program will support the ongoing work of the Homeless Services Division.

The FUP will be for the term of one-year and extended at the end of the term for one additional year upon determination by the City that the University has fully complied with the terms and conditions of the FUP and is otherwise in good standing with the City.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Taylor M. Anderson on April 21, 2021 and by Revenue Management Officer Geraldine Alejo on April 28, 2021.

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City Council action is requested on May 18, 2021, to execute the FUP in a timely manner.

The FUP is granted at no fee or charge to the agency. As the lead operator, the City is responsible for annual utilities and facility costs currently estimated at \$56,196. The annual expense is appropriated in the General Fund Group in the Health and Human Services Department. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

Approve recommendation.

KELLY COLOPY DIRECTOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:

THOMAS B. MODICA CITY MANAGER