



CITY OF LONG BEACH

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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June 15, 2010

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all necessary agreements, and any subsequent amendments, between the City of Long Beach and the Los Angeles County Proposition 10 Commission – First 5 LA in the amount of \$172,964 to augment the Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services Black Infant Health program for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011, and increase appropriations in the Health Fund (SR 130) and the Department of Health and Human Services (HE) by the same amount. (Districts 1, 6, 7 and 9)

DISCUSSION

On July 29, 2009, the California Department of Public Health, Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health (MCAH) Division officially notified local MCAH Directors advising them that the State General Fund support to the MCAH and Black Infant Health (BIH) programs had been eliminated as part of the Governor's Budget Act amendment. In response, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors formally requested that the Los Angeles County Proposition 10 Commission - First 5 LA provide funding support to all BIH programs located in the County, including Long Beach. On September 30, 2009, First 5 LA notified the Health Department that funding had been allocated for the Long Beach BIH program. The current grant for the program is scheduled to end on June 30, 2010. On May 13, 2010, First 5 LA Commissioners approved the extension of funding for the Black Infant Health Program through June 30, 2011.

Through the BIH program, the Health Department will continue to work with local service providers, community-based agencies and healthcare organizations to coordinate a comprehensive network of providers and resources to improve pregnancy outcomes for these targeted women.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda Trang on May 24, 2010 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on May 24, 2010.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this matter is requested on June 15, 2010 in order to continue the program without interruption.

FISCAL IMPACT

The City will receive an increase in grant revenues of \$172,964 for the grant period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011. An appropriations increase is requested in the Health Fund (SR 130) and the Department of Health and Human Services (HE), and is included in the recommendation. There is no City match, no impact to the General Fund, and no net impact to jobs.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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DIRECTOR
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:



PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER