

# **CITY OF LONG BEACH**

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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November 13, 2012

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 between the City of Long Beach and the University of California San Diego, for the term of April 1, 2012 to March 31, 2013, with the option of up to three one-year extensions based on funding availability, in the amount of \$206,700, to participate in a California HIV/AIDS Research Program (CHRP) study assessing linkage, engagement, and retention to care to reduce the transmission of HIV; and increase appropriations in the Health Fund (SR 130) in the Department of Health and Human Services (HE) in the amount of \$206,700. (Citywide)

## DISCUSSION

The Health Department has been approached by the University of California San Diego (UCSD) to participate in the California HIV/AIDS Research Program. This program is a multi-site research project to assess the effectiveness of linking newly diagnosed, HIV-infected persons to treatment and counseling services to reduce further transmission of HIV disease. The sites invited to participate include the Los Angeles County-USC Medical Center, Harbor-UCLA Medical Center, the Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services (Health Department), the University of California San Diego and the San Diego County Health Department.

If accepted, the Health Department will receive \$206,700 from the University of California, San Diego, for the period of April 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013 to provide HIV counseling and testing services to those individuals at risk for HIV and link eligible individuals to disease prevention services and treatment. It is anticipated that this funding will continue through 2016, in the amount of \$206,700 annually.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda Trang and Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on October 24, 2012.

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## TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

Due to the short time frame of this contract, City Council action on this matter is requested on November 13, 2012.

## FISCAL IMPACT

The proposed agreement will provide necessary funds to support program activities in the amount of \$206,700. An appropriations increase in the amount of \$206,700 in the Health Fund (SR 130) in the Department of Health and Human Services (HE) is included in the recommendation. There is no City match, no impact to the General Fund, and no local job impact associated with the recommendation.

## SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPROVED:

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