

C-16

February 4, 2020

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to enter into a contract, including any necessary amendments or subcontracts, with the California Department of Public Health, in an annual amount of \$186,501 for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2024, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$932,505, to receive and expend assistance funds to develop and implement a public education and outreach program to raise Hepatitis C prevention and control activities; and,

Increase appropriation in the Health Fund Group in the Health and Human Services Department by \$932,505, offset by grant revenue. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH), Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD) Control Branch is awarding the City of Long Beach \$186,501 assistance funds for Hepatitis C virus (Hep C) prevention and control activities. Fifty percent (50%) of the \$186,501 award will be provided to community-based organizations (CBOs) to provide Hepatitis C testing, counseling, and linkage to care. The Health and Human Services Department (Health Department) will provide support activities for those living with, or at high risk for, Hepatitis C, including monitoring, prevention, case investigation, and detailed data gathering to describe local Hepatitis C epidemiology and trends. This partnership between the Health Department and selected CBOs will assure proper testing, treatment, and care for vulnerable and underserved clients at high risk for Hepatitis C infection.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Taylor M. Anderson on January 15, 2020 and by Budget Analysis Officer Julissa José-Murray on January 16, 2020.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on February 4, 2020, to execute a contract with CDPH in a timely manner.

FISCAL IMPACT

The CDPH will provide annual funding in the amount of \$186,501 for the five-year period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2024. Services will be provided by either Health Department

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staff or the CBO(s) selected to partner with the Health Department per the grant requirements. Costs will be fully offset over the five-year period from revenues received through the agreement with the CDPH, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$932,505. An appropriation increase in the amount of \$932,505 is requested in the Health Fund Group in the Health and Human Services Department, offset by grant revenues.

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.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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DIRECTOR
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:



THOMAS B. MODICA
ACTING CITY MANAGER