

CITY OF LONG BEACH



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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September 12, 2023

HONORABLE HOUSING AUTHORITY COMMISSION City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to execute all required documents necessary to accept funding not to exceed \$1,527,699 from the County of Los Angeles to continue to administer the Homeless Incentive Program (HIP) FY2023 – 2024 (July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024). (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

On February 7, 2017, the City Council voted unanimously to support Los Angeles County Measure H, the *Los Angeles County Plan to Prevent and Combat Homelessness*, on the March 7, 2017, ballot. Measure H subsequently passed by two-thirds or more of the vote, which established a new quarter-cent sales tax in Los Angeles County for ten years in order to fund homeless services and prevention programs. Revenues generated by Measure H will be expended by the County Supervisors prior to June 30th of each year. The annual expenditure plan includes projects to prevent homelessness, subsidize housing, provide case management services, increase income, create a coordinated system, preserve, and promote affordable housing for the homeless, and provide services to address the causes and effects of homelessness.

Measure H revenues will be awarded to public agencies to address the aforementioned homeless issues. The Housing Authority of the City of Long Beach (HACLB) is a recipient of Measure H funding and has begun taking the necessary steps, in partnership with the Los Angeles County Development Authority (the administrator), to implement and administer the Homeless Incentive Program (HIP) in the City of Long Beach. The components of the program are as follows:

- Leasing Bonus: Incentivizes landlords to rent housing units to homeless individuals and families by offering bonuses upon lease-up of eligible applicants and/or participants.
- Payment of Rental Application Fees: Provides payment of all applicable application fees, up to \$50.00* per adult per application.
 *This amount is subject to change based on California's maximum application screening fee.
- Move-In Assistance: Provides move-in assistance such as a security deposit and utility assistance for homeless individuals and families.

• Damage Claims: Provides additional assistance to landlords for unit repair costs beyond the security deposit.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Atoy H. Wilson on August 21, 2023 and Budget Analysis Officer Greg Sorensen on August 22, 2023.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

Housing Authority Commission action is requested on September 12, 2023, so that all required documents can be executed to accept HIP funding for July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT

The HACLB will receive up to \$1,527,699 in funding for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. Sufficient funds are currently budgeted in the Housing Authority Fund Group in the Health and Human Services Department, offset by grant revenues. Any indirect costs that might not ultimately be eligible for grant funds will be funded by the Health Operating Fund, General Fund, or other eligible funds. There is no in-kind service mandate required. This recommendation has minimal staffing impact beyond the normally 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,

KELLY COLOPY ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

APPROVED:

THOMAS B. MODICA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Attachment – Resolution

1 RESOLUTION NO. H.A. 2 A RESOLUTION OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF 3 THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING 4 THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ALL 5 DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO ACCEPT FUNDING IN AN 6 7 AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,527,699 FROM THE 8 OF LOS ANGELES TO CONTINUE COUNTY ТО ADMINISTER THE HOMELESS INCENTIVE PROGRAM 9 10 FOR FY 2023-2024 11 DAWN MCINTOSH, City Attorney 411 West Ocean Boulevard, 9th Floor Long Beach. CA 90802-4664 12 WHEREAS, on February 7, 2017, the Long Beach City Council voted 13 unanimously to support Los Angeles County Measure H, the Los Angeles County Plan to 14 Prevent and Combat Homelessness; and 15 WHEREAS, Measure H passed and established a new guarter cent sales tax 16 in Los Angeles County for ten years in order to fund homeless services and prevention 17 programs; and 18 WHEREAS, revenues generated by Measure H will be expended by the 19 County Supervisors prior to June 30th of each year; and 20 WHEREAS, the annual expenditure plan includes projects to prevent 21 homelessness, subsidize housing, provide case management services, increase income, 22 create a coordinated system, preserve and promote affordable housing for the homeless, 23 and provide services to address the causes and effects of homelessness; and 24 WHEREAS, Measure H revenues will be awarded to public agencies to 25 address the aforementioned homeless issues; and 26 WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of the City of Long Beach is a recipient of 27 Measure H funding and has begun taking the necessary steps, in partnership with the Los 28 Angeles County Development Authority, to implement and administer the Homeless

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Incentive Program in Long Beach;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Housing Authority of the City of Long Beach, California resolves as follows:

The City Manager or designee is hereby authorized to execute Section 1. all documents necessary to accept funding in an amount not to exceed One Million Five Hundred Twenty-Seven Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars (\$1,527,699) from the County of Los Angeles to continue to implement the Homeless Incentive Program for FY 2023-2024.

Section 2. The Clerk will certify to the passage of this resolution by the Housing Authority of the City of Long Beach, California, and it will immediately take effect. I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Housing Authority of the City of Long Beach, California, at its meeting of _ , 2023, by the following vote of the qualified members of the Authority:

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CERTIFICATE OF RECORDING OFFICER

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Housing Authority of the City of Long Beach, California, do certify:

1. That the attached resolution is a true and correct copy of a resolution as finally adopted by a duly called meeting of the Housing Authority of the City of Long Beach, California held on , 2023 and duly recorded in the official records of the Governing Body; that the resolution has not been amended, modified, or rescinded, and is now in full force and effect;

2. That the meeting was duly convened and held in all respects in accordance with law; that to the extent required by law, due and proper notice of the meeting was given; that a legal quorum was present throughout the meeting and that a legally sufficient number of members of the Housing Authority of the City of Long Beach, California voted in the proper manner for adoption of the resolution; that all other requirements and proceedings under the law incident to the proper adoption or passage of the resolution, including publication, if required, have been duly fulfilled, carried out, and otherwise observed; that I am authorized to execute this Certificate; and that the seal affixed below constitutes the official seal of the Housing Authority of the City of Long Beach, California and this Certificate is executed under that official seal.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand on _____, 2023.

(Signature) CITY CLERK