



CITY OF LONG BEACH **C-18**

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Billy B. Quach
Chief of Police

November 17, 2009

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the attached resolution to authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement and any subsequent amendments with Forensic Nurse Specialists, Inc., for Sexual Assault Response Team services for a period of one year, in the amount of \$120,000, with the option for two additional one-year extension periods, executed at the discretion of the City Manager. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

The City has contracted with Forensic Nurse Specialists, Inc., since July 1994 to provide medical examinations, evidence collection, and treatment for victims of sexual assault. They also provide expert testimony during criminal proceedings. The 24-hour service provided by Forensic Nurse Specialists, Inc., has been excellent and given at a reasonable cost. There are currently no other vendors in the area that provide this type of service.

This is a mandatory expense; failure to provide a victim of sexual assault with an examination by a qualified healthcare professional, hospital, or other emergency medical facility would be a violation of the California Penal Code.

This letter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Gary Anderson on October 29, 2009 and by Budget and Performance Bureau Manager David Wodynski on October 23, 2009.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

Due to the critical nature of this service and in order to prevent any interruptions, City Council action on this matter is requested on November 17, 2009.

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FISCAL IMPACT

Sufficient funds are budgeted in the General Fund (GP) in the Police Department (PD) to support this agreement.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,


BILLY B. QUACH
CHIEF OF POLICE

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ATTACHMENT

APPROVED:



PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LONG BEACH AUTHORIZING THE CITY
MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH
FORENSIC NURSE SPECIALISTS, INC. WITHOUT
ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR SEXUAL ASSAULT
EXAMINATIONS

WHEREAS, the Police Department requires assistance in providing medical
examinations, evidence collection and appropriate treatment with respect to victims of
sexual assault; and

WHEREAS, since 1994, The City has contracted with Forensic Nurse
Specialists to provide such services; and

WHEREAS, there are currently no other contractors in the area that provide
sexual assault examinations; and

WHEREAS, no useful purpose would be served by advertising for bids for
assistance in providing sexual assault examinations and to do so would constitute an idle
and useless act and an unnecessary expenditure of public funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as
follows:

Section 1. That the above recitals are true and correct and are
incorporated herein.

Section 2. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute a contract
and any amendments thereto with Forensic Nurse Specialists, Inc. for assistance in
providing medical examinations, evidence collection and appropriate treatment with
respect to victims of sexual assault, in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Twenty

1 Thousand Dollars (\$120,000.00).

2 Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption
3 by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify to the vote adopting this resolution.

4 I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City
5 Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of _____, 2009, by
6 the following vote:

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8 Ayes: Councilmembers: _____

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12 Noes: Councilmembers: _____

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14 Absent: Councilmembers: _____

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City Clerk