



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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February 18, 2014

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), and any subsequent amendments, between the City of Long Beach and Mental Health America of Los Angeles (MHA) in the amount of \$53,040, as part of the California Community Foundation Grant Integrated Healthcare Project, for the period of November 1, 2013 through October 31, 2014. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

Mental Health America of Los Angeles (MHA) applied for, and was subsequently awarded, a one-year grant from the California Community Foundation's Integrated Healthcare Project to provide services to low-income individuals who have serious mental illness.

Under the project guidelines submitted by MHA, a part-time health practitioner would be embedded at the MHA Village in Long Beach. MHA has proposed to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the City of Long Beach, through its Department of Health and Human Services (Health Department), for a Health Department Physician to provide services. Under this MOU, the Health Department Physician will conduct physical assessments and provide short-term primary care, assist with referrals to specialists, other clinics and agencies, help facilitate patient eligibility for State and federal public assistance programs and determine and develop quality assurance and quality improvement metrics.

For its work on the grant-funded activities of the project, the City will receive up to \$53,040 a year, November 1, 2013 through October 31, 2014, as MHA receives funding from the Foundation. These funds will be used toward the physician position, and the payment will be made monthly when this MOU is fully executed.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda Vu on January 29, 2014 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on February 4, 2014.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on February 18, 2014, in order for the Health Department to be reimbursed for work provided once the MOU is signed and in place.

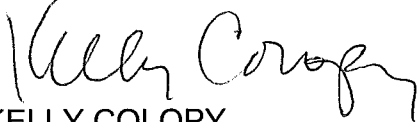
FISCAL IMPACT

The City will receive up to \$53,040 for the period of November 1, 2013 through October 31, 2014. Sufficient funds are currently appropriated in the Health Fund (SR 130) in the Department of Health and Human Services (HE). There is no local job impact associated with this action.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



KELLY COLOPY
DIRECTOR
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:



PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER