



CITY OF LONG BEACH

POLICE DEPARTMENT
400 WEST BROADWAY LONG BEACH CALIFORNIA 90802

C-18

Robert G. Luna
Chief of Police

October 6, 2015

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the attached Resolution and authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement and any subsequent amendments with Forensic Nurse Specialists, Inc., of Los Alamitos, CA, for Sexual Assault Response Team services in an annual amount not to exceed \$120,000, for a period of two years, with the option to renew for two additional one-year periods, 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 Long Beach regional 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.

City Charter Section 1801 requires that contracts for City purchases be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder after a competitive bid process, but allows for awards without a competitive bid process is accompanied by a Resolution adopted by City Council.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Kendra Carney on August 7, 2015, and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on August 12, 2015.

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 October 6, 2015.

FISCAL IMPACT

The annual contract cost will not exceed \$120,000. Sufficient funding is budgeted in the General Fund (GF) in the Police Department (PD) to support this agreement. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



RGL
ROBERT G. LUNA
CHIEF OF POLICE

APPROVED:



PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER

RGL:MV:jr

Attachment: City Council Resolution

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1 RESOLUTION NO.
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3 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
4 CITY OF LONG BEACH AUTHORIZING THE CITY
5 MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT AND ANY
6 SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS WITH FORENSIC NURSE
7 SPECIALISTS, INC., WITHOUT ADVERTISING FOR BIDS,
8 FOR SEXUAL ASSAULT RESPONSE TEAM SERVICES
9 FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS, WITH THE OPTION TO
10 RENEW FOR TWO ADDITIONAL ONE-YEAR PERIODS, IN
11 AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$120,000
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13 WHEREAS, the City has contracted with Forensic Nurse Specialists, Inc.,
14 since July 1994 to provide medical examinations, evidence collection, and treatment for
15 victims of sexual assault; and

16 WHEREAS, Forensic Nurse Specialists, Inc. provides 24-hour service; and

17 WHEREAS, this is a mandatory expense as failure to provide a victim of
18 sexual assault with an examination by a qualified healthcare professional, hospital, or other
19 emergency medical facility would be a violation of the California Penal Code; and

20 WHEREAS, Forensic Nurse Specialists, Inc. is the sole source providing this
21 service in the Long Beach regional area; and

22 WHEREAS, as a result, no useful purpose would be served by advertising
23 for bids for providing and delivering this type of service and to do so would constitute an
24 idle and useless act and an unnecessary expenditure of public funds because Forensic
25 Nurse Specialists, Inc. is the only corporation, firm, or individual that could or would bid for
26 providing this service to the City;

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

OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY
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1 Section 1. The City Manager is hereby authorized to enter a contract and
2 any subsequent amendments, without advertising for bids, with Forensic Nurse Specialists,
3 Inc. for Sexual Assault Response Team services for a period of two (2) years, with the
4 option to renew for two (2) additional one (1) year periods, at the discretion of the City
5 Manager, in an annual amount not to exceed One Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars
6 (\$120,00.00). If the sole source status of Forensic Nurse Specialists, Inc. changes, City
7 shall publicly bid instead of extending the contract.

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

10 I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council
11 of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of _____, 2015
12 by the following vote:

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14 Ayes: Councilmembers: _____
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18 Noes: Councilmembers: _____
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20 Absent: Councilmembers: _____
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25 City Clerk

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