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June 8, 2021

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to amend Contract 34958 and execute an agreement, and all necessary documents and any subsequent amendments, including amending the contract amount, with the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), to accept and expend Measure H funding, in an amount up to \$1,736,609, to implement Homeless Initiative strategies adopted by the County Board of Commissioners to combat homelessness in Los Angeles County, for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, with the option to renew for four additional one-year periods, at the discretion of the City Manager. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

The Measure H Revenue Committee for Los Angeles County (County) completed its recommendations for the distribution of Measure H funds for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. The funds were aligned under different strategies to address homelessness, some of which are to be managed by the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), the Continuum of Care (CoC) for the County, and the City of Los Angeles combined. During this process, the three CoCs (Long Beach, Pasadena and Glendale) that are independent of LAHSA, negotiated for a direct carve-out of resources specific to activities provided by these CoCs. Services that will be carved out specifically for Long Beach include homeless prevention, rapid rehousing, outreach coordination, strengthening the coordinated entry system, and emergency shelter/crisis housing. These initiatives are necessary to enhance the support services within the local system of care.

The Long Beach CoC (Homeless Services Division) has agreed to roll over the monies not utilized during the last contract period that ended June 30, 2020. As a result, the Long Beach CoC (Homeless Services Division) will receive approximately \$1,736,609. This amount will be granted for the term of July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Taylor M. Anderson on May 11, 2021 and by Revenue Management Officer Geraldine Alejo on May 18, 2021.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on June 8, 2021, to commence the program as soon as possible and spend down the funds before the deadline set forth by the LAHSA.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The City's total Measure H funding allocation is estimated up to \$1,736,609 for the period of July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021. Sufficient appropriation is budgeted in the Health Fund Group in the Health and Human Services Department for program costs, offset by reimbursement revenue. Measure H funding does not have a match or in-kind service mandate. 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
CITY MANAGER