



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute a Facility Use Permit (FUP) with Lifetime Smiles Dental Hygiene Practice of Lydiah Kamenwa, RDHAP, MPH. (Lifetime Smiles), a sole proprietor, for use of the Multi Service Center, for a one-year period, estimated to begin August 1, 2022, with the option to renew for one additional one-year period upon determination by the City Manager, or designee, that the permittee has fully complied with the terms and conditions of the FUP and is otherwise in good standing with the City of Long Beach. (Citywide)

The City of Long Beach Health and Human Services Department (Health Department), Homeless Services Bureau, oversees the Multi Service Center (MSC) located at 1301 W. 12th Street. The MSC provides services to individuals and families experiencing homelessness such as case management, outreach services, intake, and assessment services, as well as referrals to shelters and other social service programs.

In addition to the Health Department, seven social service agencies occupy office space at the MSC to provide critical resources and housing linkages to City residents experiencing homelessness. Agencies utilizing space at the MSC are required to address a critical need at the local level. Space is provided based upon availability and priority need for the population served. All agencies must meet City insurance requirements. As per City requirements, the occupant agencies must execute a FUP with the City.

Lifetime Smiles has requested to partner with the Health Department by entering into a FUP for space at the MSC to initiate a program to provide dental hygiene care to individuals experiencing homelessness. The goal of the dental hygiene program is to provide oral hygiene to prevent high-cost dental treatments. Services will include dental screenings, application of sealants, deep cleanings, fluoride therapy, oral cancer screening and clean assessments. This project would focus on servicing households that have difficulty accessing dental care, with an increased focus and engagement of persons experiencing homelessness. The work of the program will support the ongoing work of the Homeless Services Bureau.

The FUP will be for the term of one-year and extended at the end of the term for one (1) year upon determination by the City that Lifetime Smiles has fully complied with the terms and conditions of the FUP and is otherwise in good standing.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Anita Lakhani on July 18, 2022 and by Budget Analysis Officer Greg Sorensen on July 15, 2022

City Council action is requested on August 2, 2022, to execute the FUP in a timely manner.

The Facility Use Permit is granted at no fee or charge to the agency. As the lead operator, the City is responsible for annual utilities and facility costs currently estimated at \$62,396. The annual expense is appropriated in the General Fund Group in the Health and Human Services Department. 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.

Approve recommendation.

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APPROVED:

THOMAS B. MODICA
CITY MANAGER