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To: The Mayor
The Council

From: Miguel A. Santana, City Administrative Officer 

Reference: Housing and Community Investment Department Transmittal dated November 17, 2015; Received by the City Administrative Officer on December 2, 2015

Subject: **REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE A SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT TO CONTRACT NO. C-121747 WITH THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES FOR THE CONTINUATION OF HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH HIV/AIDS PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PROGRAM**

SUMMARY

The Housing and Community Investment Department (HCID) requests authority to execute a Supplemental Agreement to Contract No. C-121747 with the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA) to extend the term to allow for the continued operation of the Housing Opportunities for Persons with HIV/AIDS (HOPWA) Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) program. The HOPWA PSH program provides Tenant-Based Rental Housing Assistance (TBRA) through HACLA for individuals and families with HIV/AIDS who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. This Office recommends approval of the HCID request to execute a Supplemental Agreement with HACLA related to the HOPWA PSH program.

BACKGROUND

In 2012, the HCID was awarded a three year, \$1,501,500 competitive renewal grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the HOPWA PSH program. Through a contract with HACLA, the program funds TBRA for homeless and at-risk of homelessness clients living with HIV/AIDS. The HOPWA PSH program pays the TBRA for eligible clients for up to 18 months. If the client is still eligible after 18 months, they transition to HACLA's Housing Choice Voucher program (HCV) and HACLA assumes the cost of the rental assistance. The program results in permanent, affordable housing for the client.

The initial three-year grant term was from July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2015, and HCID executed a contract with HACLA for the same term. Of the total grant amount, \$1,460,550 was allocated to HACLA and HCID retained the remaining \$40,950 for administrative costs. HUD has

now extended the grant term through March 31, 2016 to allow HCID to spend down the \$339,385 remaining in HACLA's contract for this purpose. These funds will be used to continue paying TBRA for the remaining 20 clients in the program until they are transitioned to the HCV program.

In accordance with the extended grant term through March 31, 2016, HCID is requesting authority to retroactively extend the contract through a Supplemental Agreement with HACLA for nine months, from July 1, 2015, through March 31, 2016. No additional funds will be added to the HACLA contract.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor, authorize the General Manager of the Housing and Community Investment Department, or designee, to execute a Supplemental Agreement to Contract No. C-121747 with the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles for the continued provision of tenant-based rental housing assistance, to increase the contract term by nine months, from July 1, 2015, through March 31, 2016, subject to review and approval by the City Attorney as to form, legality and compliance with the City's contracting requirements.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

There is no impact on the General Fund. The recommendation in this report is in compliance with the City's Financial Policies in that the Housing Opportunities for Persons with HIV/AIDS Permanent Supportive Housing program is paid for by grant funds.