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To:
THE COUNCIL

Date: **NOV 17 2015**

From:
THE MAYOR

TRANSMITTED FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION. PLEASE SEE ATTACHED.



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Attention: Mandy Morales, Legislative Coordinator

TRANSMITTAL: REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY TO AMEND THE CONTRACT WITH THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES (HACLA), CONTRACT NUMBER 121747

Summary

The Los Angeles Housing Community + Investment Department (HCIDLA) is requesting authority to amend Contract Number 121747 with the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA) for an additional 9 months, retroactively from July 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016. No additional funds will be added. The contract is to continue the Housing Opportunities for Persons with HIV/AIDS (HOPWA) Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) program that provides Tenant-Based Rental Housing Assistance through HACLA for homeless and at risk of homelessness individuals and families with HIV/AIDS.

Recommendations

The General Manager of HCIDLA respectfully requests that:

- I. Your office schedule this transmittal at the next available meeting of the appropriate City Council committee(s) and forward it to the City Council for review and approval immediately thereafter;

- II. The City Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor, take the following actions:
- A. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, HCIDLA, or designee, to amend an existing contract with HACLA Contract Number 121747 for additional nine months beginning July 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016, subject to review and approval by the City Attorney as to form, and compliance with all necessary City and federal requirements.

Background

In 2012, the HCIDLA was awarded a 3-year \$1,501,500 competitive renewal grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the HOPWA Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) program. The program funds Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) for homeless and at-risk of homelessness clients living with HIV/AIDS through a contract with the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA). Under this program, HOPWA pays the TBRA for eligible clients for up to 18 months, after which the client, if still eligible, transitions to HACLA's Housing Choice Voucher program (HCV, also known as "Section 8"), and HACLA assumes the cost of the rental assistance. This program results in permanent, affordable housing for the client.

The initial 3-year grant term was from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015, and HCIDLA executed a contract with HACLA for a similar term. Of the total grant amount, 1,460,550 was allocated to HACLA and the HCIDLA kept the remaining \$40,950 to use for administering the program (HOPWA regulations limit the administrative dollars the grantee can keep). HUD has now extended the grant term through March 31, 2016, to allow HCIDLA to spend down the \$339,385 remaining in HACLA's contract. 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.

It should be noted that HCIDLA has been awarded another HOPWA PSH renewal grant by HUD that will begin on April 1, 2016, upon termination of the current grant.

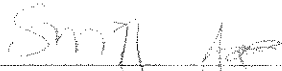
Request to Extend HACLA Contract

In accordance with the extended grant term through March 31, 2016, we are requesting authority to retroactively extend the contract with HACLA for 9 months, from July 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016. No additional funds will be added to the HACLA contract. This extension will increase the entire term of HACLA's contract to 3 years and 9 months, from July 1, 2012 to March 31, 2016.

Fiscal Impact

The program is funded by the federal HOPWA PSH grant; there is no impact to the City's General Fund.

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