

HOUSING COMMITTEE REPORT relative to authorization to release a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Program.

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the General Manager, Los Angeles Housing and Community Investment Department (HCIDLA), or designee, to:

- a. Release an RFP (Attachment B of the HCIDLA report dated November 21, 2014, attached to Council file No. 14-1705) for the HOPWA Program, review the proposals, and return to the Mayor and Council with contractor and funding recommendations.
- b. Revise the final RFP document to include animal support services as a stand-alone line item whereby Pets Are Wonderful Support (PAWS) can apply to provide those services on behalf of the City.
- c. Revise funding levels as indicated in the Communication from the HCIDLA entitled Revisions to Funding Levels in the HOPWA 2015-16 RFP, dated January 14, 2015; and add funding for animal support services.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The HCIDLA reports that funding is provided through the federal HOPWA entitlement grant. There will be no impact on the General Fund.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At a regular meeting held on January 14, 2015, the Housing Committee considered an HCIDLA report relative to authorization for the HCIDLA to release an RFP for HOPWA Program services to begin July 1, 2015, review proposals, and report back to the Mayor and Council with contractor and funding recommendations.

The Chair of the Council's Personnel and Animal Welfare Committee addressed the Housing Committee to request funding be restored in the HOPWA RFP for animal support services. Representatives of the HCIDLA also addressed the Committee and requested authorization to revise the final RFP document to include animal support services as a stand-alone line item so that PAWS can apply to provide the services on behalf of the City, and to revise funding levels (as indicated in the Communication from the HCIDLA, attached to the Council file) to increase funding and add funding for animal support services.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended approval of the recommendation in the HCIDLA report as amended. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,
HOUSING COMMITTEE

MEMBER VOTE

CEDILLO: YES

FUENTS: YES

PRICE: YES

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