

HOUSING COMMITTEE REPORT relative to extending the existing contracts with Housing Opportunities for Persons with HIV/AIDS (HOPWA) service providers for six months, and executing contracts with recommended HOPWA program service providers.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

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

a. Amend the existing contracts with the HOPWA providers listed in Attachment A of the HCIDLA report to the Mayor dated November 4, 2015, for six months, beginning October 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016, to continue to provide HOPWA services countywide until the new contracts awarded through the Request for Proposals (RFP) begin on April 1, 2016; funding will be provided from the Program Year (PY) 2015-2016 HOPWA grant accounts, as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
569	43M326 HOPWA Subsidy Assistance	\$1,011,707
569	43M332 Project Sponsor Administration	242,345
569	43M406 HOPWA Support Services	2,082,164
569	43M442 HOPWA Information Services	144,902
569	43M644 Outside Auditor	<u>37,500</u>
		Total: \$3,518,618

b. Negotiate and execute contracts in substantial conformance with Attachment B of the HCIDLA report dated November 4, 2015, recommended contractors for the HOPWA program, for twelve-month terms beginning April 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017, with an option to renew for up to four additional years, subject to the approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality, and in compliance with all necessary City and federal requirements; funding will be provided for these new contracts from the HOPWA entitlement grant for PY April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017.

c. Negotiate and execute contracts in substantial conformance with Attachment B of the HCIDLA report dated November 4, 2015, existing providers in the regional areas where no contract awards were recommended through the RFP process for twelve months beginning April 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017, subject to the approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality, and in compliance with all necessary City and federal requirements; funding will be provided for these new contracts from the HOPWA entitlement grant for PY April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017.

d. Release an RFP for services to be provided at the San Gabriel Valley Service Planning Area (SPA) 3 and East Los Angeles SPA 7, and the Metro Downtown and Metro East Subgroups of SPA 4 regional offices; said RFP to be in substantial conformance with the requirements of the HOPWA RFP released in 2015 with respect to eligibility and services to be provided, with services expected to begin April 1, 2017.

2. AUTHORIZE the Controller to establish new accounts and increase/(decrease) appropriations within the Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS Fund No. 569, as follows:

<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
43M326 HOPWA Subsidy Assistance	(\$2,535,318)
43M332 HOPWA Project Sponsor Administration	(230,282)
43M335 Savings - HOPWA Subsidy Assistance	3,700,000
43M336 Savings - HOPWA Support Services	252,000
43M406 HOPWA Support Services	1,595,738
43M442 HOPWA Information Services	144,904
43M455 HOPWA Regional Office	<u>(2,927,042)</u>
Total:	\$0

3. AUTHORIZE the HCIDLA General Manager, or designee, to prepare Controller instructions and/or make any technical adjustments that may be required and are consistent with this action, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer; and, AUTHORIZE the Controller to implement these instructions.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The HCIDLA reports that this action will not impact the General Fund. The amended and new contracts will be funded from the federal HOPWA grant for PY 2015-2016 and the anticipated grant for 2016-2017, plus any rollover identified from previous years. Funding costs for the recommendations in this report are as follows: funding for the 6-month extensions (October 1, 2015 - March 31, 2016) will be \$3,518,618, which is currently available in the PY 2015-2016 HOPWA budget, and funding for one-year contracts (April 1, 2015 - March 31, 2017) will be \$11,298,213, which is anticipated to be \$14.3 million.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

## SUMMARY

In a report to the Mayor dated November 4, 2015, HCIDLA requests authority to extend the terms of existing HOPWA service provider contracts for six months, and to execute contracts with recommended HOPWA program service providers for the following year.

According to HCIDLA, the HOPWA program provides housing assistance and related supportive services for low-income persons with HIV/AIDS and their families. Federal regulations require the largest jurisdiction in an Eligible Metropolitan Statistical Area receive the formula allocation and provide services countywide. The City of Los Angeles has been the recipient of the federal HOPWA grant under the Consolidated Plan since the 1990s. Over the last five years, the HOPWA grant has ranged from \$12.4 million to \$15.9 million annually. The HOPWA grant for PY 2015-2016 is \$14.3 million.

Current HOPWA contracts ended September 30, 2015. HCIDLA is requesting retroactive authority to extend the existing contracts with the current HOPWA providers for the remaining six months of PY 2015-2016, for the term of October 1, 2015 - March 31, 2016, to continue to provide services until the new contracts awarded through the RFP are in place. Attachment A of

the HCIDLA report lists the agencies and funding amounts to receive this six-month funding. Funding for the extensions is provided by the PY 2015-2016 HOPWA entitlement grant.

HCIDLA goes on to report that the Department released the HOPWA RFP on February 12, 2015. HCIDLA received 21 bids. Based on criteria listed in the report, the proposals were evaluated and scored. The contractors recommended for selection are listed in Attachment B of the Department's report. HCIDLA further requests authority to release an RFP for San Gabriel Valley and East Los Angeles, and the Metro Downtown and Metro East regional offices as the bids for these planning areas were deemed inadequate.

At its meeting held November 18, 2015, the Housing Committee recommended that Council approve HCIDLA's recommendations as discussed above.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOUSING COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
CEDILLO:	YES
FUENTES:	YES
HUIZAR:	ABSENT
PRICE:	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON:	YES



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