HOUSING COMMITTEE REPORT relative to extending the Los Angeles Housing and Community Investment Department (HCIDLA) contract with Shelter Partnership for continued Housing Opportunities for Persons with Aids (HOPWA) Program technical assistance, and releasing a new Request for Proposals (RFP) for this service.

Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, HCIDLA, or designee, to:
 - a. Extend the contract with Shelter Partnership, Inc. (No. 122183), for an additional six months through October 1, 2017, for the continued provision of HOPWA Program technical assistance, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality, and in compliance with the City's contracting requirements.
 - b. Release an RFP for HOPWA Program Technical Assistance for a contract to begin on or about October 1, 2017, subject to a Charter Section 1022 determination.
- 2. DIRECT the HCIDLA to report back to the Mayor and Council with contractor and funding recommendations.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The City Administrative Officer (CAO) reports that this action will not impact the General Fund. No funds are required for the proposed contract extension. Funding for new technical assistance contracts is anticipated from the HOPWA entitlement grant for the Program Year 43 from April1, 2017 to March 31, 2018. Fulfillment of contract extensions beyond Program Year 43 is subject to continued receipt of these historically ongoing federal funds.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

In a report to the Mayor and Council dated January 27, 2017, the CAO states that HCIDLA requests authority to issue an RFP as part of a selection process to procure HOPWA Program technical assistance. During the time that HCID finalizes the preparation of the RFP, and to avoid a gap in the provision of technical assistance, HCIDLA also requests authority to extend the contract of the current technical assistance provider, Shelter Partnership, Inc. The CAO recommends approval of both HCIDLA requests.

The CAO reports that the HOPWA Program provides housing and supportive services Countywide to low-income individuals living with HIV/AIDS and their families. HOPWA is a federal entitlement program funded annually since 1990 by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development through the Consolidated Plan, and is administered by HCIDLA on behalf of the Eligible Statistical Metropolitan Area for the City. The City, which is the only HOPWA grantee in the County, has administered the program for over 20 years, and HOPWA-funded housing and direct services are provided Countywide by non-profit agencies and public housing authorities.

The CAO goes on to report that responsibilities of the technical assistance contractor include attending Countywide HOPWA Advisory Committee meetings, reviewing existing and newly-

enacted federal and State regulations and providing advice to the City, developing the scope of services for HOPWA Program contracts, providing assessments and analysis of HOPWA programs, developing program outcomes and performance measures, and developing training for HOPWA service providers.

At its meeting held February 1, 2017, the Housing Committee discussed this matter with representatives of the CAO and HCIDLA. Committee recommended that Council authorize HCIDLA to execute the requested contract extension and to release the RFP described above, as recommended by the CAO.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOUSING COMMITTEE

MEMBER

VOTE

CEDILLO:

KORETZ:

ABSENT

HUIZAR:

YES

PRICE:

YES

HARRIS-DAWSON: ABSENT

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