

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL **DATE:** March 26, 2001

FROM: CYNTHIA J. KURTZ, CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE ORDER CONTRACT WITH AVENTIS PASTEUR TO ACQUIRE VACCINES FOR TRAVEL AND RABIES IMMUNIZATIONS

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize the Purchasing Administrator to issue a Purchase Order Contract to Aventis Pasteur for FY 2001 in an amount not to exceed \$120,000, for the purchase of travel and rabies immunizations.
2. Authorize the Purchasing Administrator to issue Purchase Order Contracts for a period of up to three additional one-year periods in amounts not to exceed \$250,000 per year for the purchase of additional travel and rabies immunizations.
3. Grant an exemption from the vendor selection process of the Affirmative Action in Contracting Ordinance PMC 4.09 pursuant to Section 4.09.060 (B) contract for materials and supplies available from a sole source. Competitive Bidding is not required pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(C), contracts for labor, materials, supplies or services available from only one vendor.

BACKGROUND:

The Public Health Department offers travel immunizations to protect people who travel abroad from infectious diseases prevalent in countries outside of the United States. The Pasadena Public Health Department also provides rabies vaccines to populations at risk for rabies, such as Humane Society employees and veterinary students. Aventis Pasteur pharmaceutical company is the only producer and distributor of Diphtheria Tetanus, Yellow Fever, Meningococcal and Polio vaccines and is also a distributor for rabies vaccine.

The Pasadena Public Health Department is one of the few providers of travel immunizations in the community, and offers travel vaccines at a lower cost than private providers. During FY 2000, over 3,400 immunizations were administered to more than 1,780 clients. These individuals pay fees to cover the costs of the various immunizations, ranging in price from \$15 to \$100. Due to high demand, the travel clinic will be adding two clinic sessions to its current schedule thereby increasing hours of operation by eight hours per week. It is anticipated that the number of immunizations administered will increase by 50% as a result. Currently, Aventis Pasteur is the sole producer and distributor of the immunizations to be purchased under the proposed agreement.

FISCAL IMPACT:

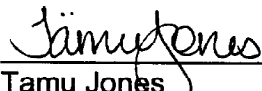
Estimated revenues and appropriations for this program have been included in the Public Health Department's FY 2001 Disease Prevention and Control Division budget account # 563100.

Respectfully submitted,



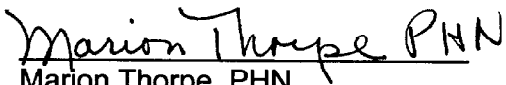
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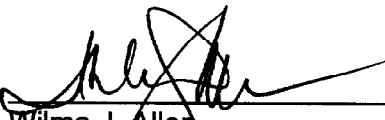
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