Agenda Report

January 27, 2014

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Public Health Department

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF INCREASE TO PURCHASE ORDER 54517 WITH SANOFI PASTEUR INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF VACCINES AND TUBERCULOSIS TESTING SOLUTION

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize an increase to Purchase Order 54517 with Sanofi Pasteur Inc., in the amount of $50,000; thereby, increasing the not to exceed amount from $74,999 to $124,999 for the purchase of vaccines and tuberculosis testing solution.

2. It is recommended that the City Council grant the proposed increase an exemption from the competitive selection process pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.08.049(B), contracts for which the City's best interests are served. Competitive Bidding is not required pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(F), contracts for professional or unique services.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Pasadena Public Health Department (PPHD) has provided immunizations to the community since it was established to serve in infection control efforts and to aid in the prevention of vaccine preventable diseases. The Travel and Immunization Clinic at PPHD provides travel, adult, and childhood immunizations as well as Tuberculosis (TB) testing services. Most infants and toddlers receive their recommended vaccines by age two, but many under-immunized children remain, leaving the potential for outbreaks of disease. Many adolescents and adults are under-immunized as well, missing opportunities to protect themselves against diseases such as pertussis, influenza, and pneumococcal disease. PPHD serves as a safety net clinic for these clients particularly those who are underinsured or uninsured.

As a public health entity, the community, partnering counties, and the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Immunization Program have relied on PPHD to serve the community with immunization coverage rates and any necessary prophylaxis or treatment during outbreaks.

In order to provide the necessary immunizations for children and adults, the Travel and Immunization Clinic has established purchase orders directly with the manufacturers of the vaccines to purchase the vaccines and tuberculosis testing solution. Based on prior expenditures, the purchase order amount for Sanofi Pasteur Inc. vaccines, including but not limited to tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis (Tdap), polio, and purified protein derivative (PPD) solution for TB testing, was in the amount of $74,999 for FY 2013-14. Due to several factors including Tdap mandate for entering seventh grade, a recent pertussis outbreak, high demand for TB testing due to product shortages, and TB requirement for pre-school and Head Start entry, the demand for these vaccines and solutions are on trend to exceed the purchase order amount of $74,999 for FY 2013-14.

PPHD is requesting an increase to the Sanofi Pasteur Inc. purchase order contract in order to meet client and public health demand and services. Specifically, staff is requesting the purchase order contract be increased to $124,999 for FY 2013-14. In an effort to continue to deliver immunization and TB testing services, it is in the City's best interest to approve this increase, to prevent a disruption in services or prophylactic treatment for our community.

COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:

This action by City Council aligns with the City's strategic plan goal to support and promote the quality of life by ensuring continuity of service to clients who access their health care needs through the Pasadena Public Health Department's safety net clinic.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This action will increase purchase order 54517 with Sanofi Pasteur, Inc. in the amount of $50,000. This contract increase was anticipated in the Fiscal Year 2014 Adopted Budget and is already appropriated in account 8114-203-563141.

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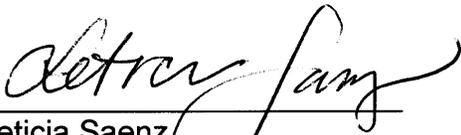
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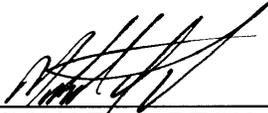
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