

# Agenda Report

**TO:** CITY COUNCIL **DATE:** OCTOBER 18, 1999

**FROM:** CYNTHIA J. KURTZ, CITY MANAGER

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF FY 2000 AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PASADENA AND THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR MEDI-CAL ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES (MAA) AND FY 2000 AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PASADENA AND SOLANO COUNTY HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT FOR COLLECTION AND DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS FOR THE MEDI-CAL ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES TRUST FUND**

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize the City Manager to execute an FY 2000 Agreement between the City of Pasadena and the State Department of Health Services for performance of Medi-Cal Administrative Activities in the amount of \$70,000; and,
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute an FY 2000 Agreement between the City of Pasadena and Solano County Health and Social Services Department for collection and disbursement of funds for the Medi-Cal Administrative Activities Trust Fund in the amount of \$1,402.

## **BACKGROUND**

The State Department of Health Services (SDHS) is responsible for administering the California Medi-Cal Assistance Program and entering into cooperative arrangements with local governmental agencies that provide health-related administrative activities. The agreement with SDHS establishes the means for local governmental agencies, such as the City of Pasadena Public Health Department, to claim federal Medicaid matching funds for assisting in the proper and efficient administration of the Medi-Cal program locally. Funding for Medi-Cal administration helps to assure the availability, accessibility, coordination, and appropriate utilization of required health care resources for Medi-Cal eligible individuals served by local governmental agencies.

Under the agreement with SDHS, the Pasadena Public Health Department is reimbursed for allowable actual costs of performing Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (MAA). These activities are intended to improve the availability and accessibility of Medi-Cal services to eligible individuals, and include outreach, eligibility intake, non-emergency transportation, training, subcontracting for services, program planning and policy development, general administration, and paid time off. The term of this contract is July 1, 1999 – June 30, 2000 at a maximum reimbursement of \$70,000.

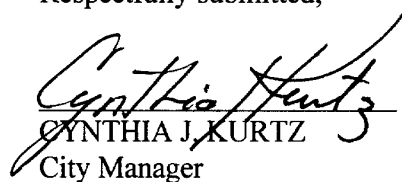
Funding for the MAA program originates at the Federal government level and is allocated by the State. Criteria for participating in MAA and meeting the requirements outlined in the agreement with the State Department of Health Services are very complex. To ensure that health jurisdictions participating in MAA can meet the requirements, one county serves as the liaison with the State and contracts with a professional consultant to provide technical assistance and representation at State policy discussions. For FY 2000, Solano County has been designated as the liaison. Statewide, each local health jurisdiction is required to pay a fee for participation in the MAA program. The fees comprise the MAA trust fund, which Solano County administers. The FY 2000 agreement between the City of Pasadena and Solano County Health and Social Services Department for collection and disbursement of funds for the MAA Trust Fund is in the amount of \$1,402 for FY 2000.

These contracts are exempt from the City's Affirmative Action in Contracting Ordinance, pursuant to P.M.C. 4.09.060 (A) which exempts contracts with other governmental entities for labor, materials, supplies or services.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The estimated revenues and expenditures are included in the Public Health Department's Administration Division FY 2000 adopted budget account #561100.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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