

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: June 30, 2003

FROM: CYNTHIA J. KURTZ, CITY MANAGER

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

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the issuance of a Purchase Order Contract to Aventis Pasteur for the period July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004 not to exceed \$102,800 per year for the purchase of travel vaccines.

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. Aventis Pasteur pharmaceutical company is the only producer and distributor of Diphtheria Tetanus, Yellow Fever, Meningococcal and Polio vaccines and is also the distributor for Rabies vaccine.

The Pasadena Public Health Department (PPHD) 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 2003 (through May 2003), over 5,350 immunizations were administered to more than 3,491 clients. The number of clients nearly doubled between FY 2001 and FY 2002 and continues to increase in FY 2003. PPHD has recently launched a campaign promoting Meningococcal immunization for students entering college, which in turn, has increased the demand. These individuals pay fees to cover the costs of the various immunizations, ranging in price from \$10 to \$103 for FY 2003 and \$10 to \$140 for FY 2004. Due to high demand, the travel clinic offers both walk in and appointment only sessions four times each week.

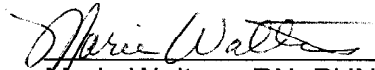
FISCAL IMPACT:

Estimated revenues and appropriations for this program have been included in the Public Health Department's FY 2004 Disease Prevention and Control Division budget account # 563100.

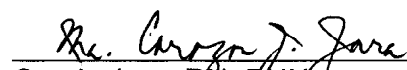
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