

## Agenda Report

August 31, 2015

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Housing and Career Services Department

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$137,000 BETWEEN THE CITY OF PASADENA, ACTING AS AGENT FOR THE FOOTHILL EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING CONSORTIUM, AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO PROVIDE YOUTH WORK EXPERIENCE SERVICES**

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Find that the recommended action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines per Section 15061(b)(3); and
2. Approve a contract between the City of Pasadena (acting as an agent for the Foothill Employment and Training Consortium) and the County of Los Angeles in the amount of \$137,000 to operate a work experience program for area youth funded with Youth Jobs Program monies.

### **BACKGROUND:**

For approximately the last ten (10) years, the Los Angeles County Workforce Investment Board (the "County WIB") has awarded Youth Jobs Program grant funds to the Foothill Employment and Training Consortium Workforce Investment Board ("Foothill WIB") which serves the cities of Arcadia, Duarte, Monrovia, Pasadena, Sierra Madre, and South Pasadena to operate youth work experience programs. For the current program year 2015-2016, the County WIB awarded \$137,000 to the Foothill WIB to provide paid work experience services as well as work readiness training to 72 youth residing in any of the aforementioned cities served by the Foothill WIB. Approximately 30 of the total 72 youth to receive services will be from Pasadena. The youth will work approximately 120 hours and be paid \$9.00 per hour. Youth will also participate in work

readiness instruction. The three categories of youth which will be eligible to receive services under this contract are:

1. CalWORKS youth (ages 16-19)
2. Foster Youth (ages 14-21)
3. Low-income barriered youth (ages 14-21)

In the previous 2014-15 program year, the County provided an award in the amount of \$112,000 to the Foothill WIB.

The Workforce Investment Board of the Foothill Employment and Training Consortium reviewed the contract and voted on June 18, 2015 to recommend approval. The contract shall be entered into by "the City of Pasadena acting as agent for the Foothill Employment and Training Consortium."

**COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:**

The proposed action supports and promotes the quality of life and the local economy -- a goal of the City Council's Strategic Plan.

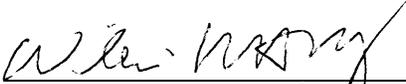
**ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:**

The action proposed herein is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3). The activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. The proposed approval of the subject contract and the activities to be performed thereunder will not have a significant effect on the environment.

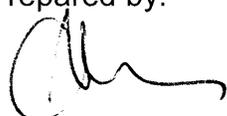
**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The proposed Youth Jobs Program grant funds in the amount of \$137,000 from the County of Los Angeles was anticipated and appropriated in the adopted FY 2016 operating budget of the Housing and Career Services Department (Account No. 68116019-630200-47653). There is no anticipated fiscal impact on the General Fund as a result of this action and it will not have any indirect or support cost requirements. The anticipated impact to other operational programs as a result of this action will be none.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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