

# Agenda Report

September 30, 2024

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Department of Housing

**SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR MEASURE H FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,324,440 FOR HOMELESS SERVICES**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Find that the recommended actions are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 (b)(3), the "common sense" provision that CEQA only applies to projects that may have an effect on the environment;
2. Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with the County of Los Angeles for the receipt of Measure H funding in the amount of \$1,324,440 to provide homelessness prevention, time-limited subsidies, housing navigation and location, and emergency shelter programs in the City of Pasadena;
3. Authorize the City Manager to execute an amendment to the subject contract with a not-to-exceed amount of \$1,500,000, subject to the availability of FY 2026 Measure H funds, for the continued provision of homeless services;
4. Authorize the City Manager to execute one additional amendment to the subject contract with a not-to-exceed amount of \$1,500,000, subject to the availability of FY 2027 Measure H funds for the continued provision of homeless services; and
5. Authorize the City Manager to approve no-cost extension amendments to the subject contract which extend the term beyond June 30, 2027.

**BACKGROUND:**

On March 7, 2017, voters in Los Angeles County approved Measure H, a countywide quarter-cent sales tax to fund supportive services, housing, outreach, and prevention services for people experiencing homelessness. On June 13, 2017, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved a motion to provide direct Measure H funds to the cities of Pasadena, Glendale and Long Beach which all operate their own Continuums of Care. The Measure H allocations are calculated based on the City's percentage of the county's homeless population, which is currently equivalent to approximately 0.74%. Upon execution of the recommended contract, the City will have directly received \$8,868,249 of Measure H funding to date. Additional Measure H funding administered by County agencies supports the provision of various homeless services throughout the City, including intensive case management services at site-based and scattered-site permanent supportive housing projects valued at approximately \$1.96 million annually. Direct allocations of Measure H funds have supported homeless services including time-limited subsidies (rapid-rehousing), emergency shelter, homelessness prevention, housing navigation and location, and landlord incentives.

Staff recommend entering into a contract with the County of Los Angeles in the amount of \$1,324,440, representing the City's FY 2025 Measure H allocation, with a term ending June 30, 2027. Staff also recommend authorizing a first amendment to the subject contract to add the City's FY 2026 allocation in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,500,000. Staff further recommend authorizing a second amendment to the subject contract to add the City's FY 2027 allocation in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,500,000. Finally, staff recommend authorizing no-cost extensions to the subject contract to extend the term beyond June 30, 2027.

These funds will be used to sustain existing homelessness prevention and emergency shelter programs administered by Friends In Deed as well as emergency shelter, time-limited subsidies, and housing navigation and location programs administered by Union Station Homeless Services. On January 24, 2022, Council approved amendments to Contracts Nos. 31393 and 31394 with Friends In Deed and Contracts Nos. 31386, 31391, 31392 with Union Station Homeless Services to add additional funding not-to-exceed the amount of any Measure H funds allocated to the City by the County and to extend the terms up to five years.

**COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:**

Approval of the recommended actions has the potential to provide essential housing and supportive services for homeless individuals and families. Authorization of this contract is in accordance with the General Plan Housing Element, Five-Year Consolidated Plan, and Five-Year Public Housing Authority 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 “common sense” provision of CEQA which applies to projects which may 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 approval of proposed Measure H funding will not have a significant effect on the environment and, hence, is not subject to CEQA.

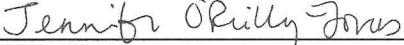
**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Approval of the subject recommendations will have no fiscal impact as the funding is currently included in the Department of Housing’s adopted FY 2025 Operating Budget.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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