

# Agenda Report

**TO:** CITY COUNCIL

**DATE:** FEBRUARY 22, 1999

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

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO FY 1998-1999 CONTRACT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE PROVISION OF HIV/AIDS OUTPATIENT SERVICES AT THE ANDREW ESCAJEDA CLINIC AND AMENDMENT TO PURCHASE ORDER CONTRACT**

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council take the following actions:

1. Approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an amendment to the City's current HIV/AIDS Medical Outpatient Services Agreement (Contract # H-209212, originally recorded as H-204606) with the County of Los Angeles in the amount of \$59,000 increasing the total contract amount to \$649,000 for the period of March 1, 1998 through February 28, 1999;
2. Approve a journal voucher increasing estimated revenues and appropriations in the Andrew Escajeda Clinic budget account 563313-56111 by \$59,000 from \$595,515 to \$654,515; and,
3. Authorize the Purchasing Administrator to increase Purchase Order #0520 with Phoenix Pharmacy by the amount of \$10,000, from \$120,000 to \$130,000, for the provision of medications to the patients of the Public Health Department's Andrew Escajeda Clinic.

## **BACKGROUND:**

The Pasadena Public Health Department's Andrew Escajeda Clinic (AEC) provides medical outpatient services for low income, uninsured San Gabriel Valley residents who are diagnosed with HIV/AIDS. This program has been funded since June 1992 by Ryan White CARE Act Title I formula funds. The Clinic has operated under contract with the County of Los Angeles AIDS Programs Office to provide treatment and care management to the financially indigent, uninsured and under-served HIV-positive population.

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AEC is located on the ground floor at the Pasadena Community Health Center. Clinic staff assist clients in their management of HIV infection to enhance their quality of life while living with HIV/AIDS. Medical, psycho-social, and referral services are provided Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and alternate Fridays 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Presently, 218 clients are enrolled in the program, 198 of whom have been seen this fiscal year.

The number of services per client has remained stable over the past 12 months, with 13,216 distinct services (e.g., clinical visits, lab tests, counseling, etc.) provided to 218 clients. The composition of the clientele base remains diverse with 179 males and 39 females. Their cultural/ethnic breakdown includes 86 Caucasian (39%); 65 Hispanic (30.2%); 62 African American (29%); 2 Asian/Pacific Islander (.9%); 2 Native American (0.9%). Women's health care continues to be provided to attend to the special needs of women living with HIV/AIDS.

This contract year began on March 1, 1998 and will end February 28, 1999. Staff was notified in late January that the program would receive an augmentation in the amount of \$59,000 which would increase the total award for the program year to \$649,000.

The increased funds are being used to enhance and maintain clinical operations and services to clients. Clinical infrastructure will be improved by the purchase of three computers with printers. Two of the new computers will replace very outdated hardware, and will allow clinic staff access to electronic mail and the internet to perform research and communicate with other service providers. The third computer will be dedicated to the patient database and records management and will not be placed on the network. This stand-alone system is necessary to protect patient confidentiality.

The variety and related cost of HIV/AIDS medications continually increases, and \$10,000 of the augmentation will be used to increase Purchase Order #0520 with Phoenix Pharmacy to provide medications to the patients of the Clinic. Phoenix Pharmacy has provided special AIDS medications to HIV/AIDS clients served at the Pasadena Community Health Center for a number of years and has an established relationship with this special population, focusing on their particular needs. The balance of the increased funding will allow the clinic to add back special ancillary services, such as dental care, and tests for emergent conditions.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:**

The contract with Los Angeles County is 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, material, supplies, or services. An exemption is already on file.

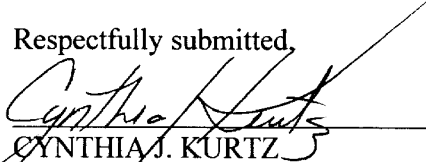
A partial exemption from the Affirmative Action in contracting Ordinance is on file for Phoenix Pharmacy on the basis of PMC 4.09.060(C)(2) which exempts it from competitive selection in

the best interest of the City. By continuing to provide medications through Phoenix Pharmacy, the clients of the Clinic will be provided with continuity of service.


**FISCAL IMPACT:**

This action by the City Council will increase the estimated revenues and appropriations in the Public Health Department FY 1999 adopted budget account # 563313-56111 by \$59,000 from \$595,515 to \$654,515.

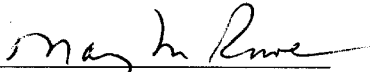
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