

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: June 28, 1999

FROM: CYNTHIA J. KURTZ, CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: **APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH HUNTINGTON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL PATIENT SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$36,109 FOR MATERNAL CHILD HEALTH SOCIAL WORKER SERVICES DURING FY 2000**

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract in the amount of \$36,109 with Huntington Memorial Hospital to provide social services to patients in the City's Comprehensive Perinatal Service Program, for the period July 1, 1999 through June 30, 2000 with a provision to extend the contract for up to three years subject to the approval of the City Manager provided the terms and conditions remain as stated in the current contract and provided that any increases do not exceed the then-current CPI for the previous twelve-month period, and upon satisfactory delivery of services during each preceding year; and,
2. Grant this contract an exemption from the vendor selection process of the Affirmative Action in Contracting Ordinance PMC 4.09, pursuant to Section 4.09.060 (C), contractors for which City's best interests are served. The proposed contract is exempt from competitive bidding pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(F), contracts for professional or unique services.

BACKGROUND

For the past fifteen (15) years Huntington Memorial Hospital has provided medical, psychosocial, nutritional, and health education assessments and interventions to clients of the Comprehensive Perinatal Services Program (CPSP) provided by the Pasadena Public Health Department (PPHD). The CPSP serves low-income pregnant women, and is funded by the Maternal and Child Health Branch of the State Department of Health Services and by Medi-Cal fee-for-service reimbursements. Social worker services are a vital component of the CPSP and

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are required under the City's contract with the State.

In FY 1999, the social worker on site at the Pasadena Community Health Center provided 2,330 face-to-face counseling sessions, working with over 980 patients. The social worker also made referrals to 17 agencies, including but not limited to Foothill Family Service, the Black Infant Health Project, the Department of Children & Family Services and the Domestic Violence Hotline.

It is important to maintain this contractual agreement with the Huntington Memorial Hospital in order to provide continuity of these services to clients of the CPSP. No other vendor exists which will provide the variety and quality of services required by the CPSP contract with the State Department of Health Services. Retaining the services of Huntington Memorial Hospital without interruption assures continuous attention to the psychosocial needs of the prenatal program clients. This contract for \$36,109 represents a 10.6% increase over the past year's amount of \$32,625. Huntington Memorial Hospital has provided the same level of service for the past three years with no increase to the contract. In order to maintain a .50 FTE (1040 hours) and sustain the current level of service, the contract will be increased to cover cost of living increases.

The contractor fully complies with the competitive bidding, affirmative action in contracting and living wage ordinances PMC 4.08, 4.09 and 4.11, respectively. In addition, this contract for professional services is exempt from formal bidding pursuant to City Charter Section 1002 (f).


FISCAL IMPACT:

The funds for this contract in the amount of \$36,109 are included in the Department's FY 2000 adopted budget, account #564000.

Respectfully submitted,


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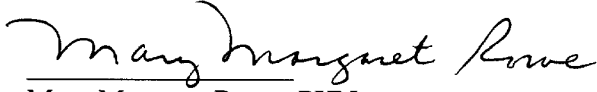

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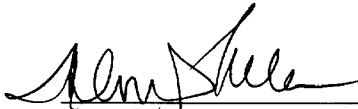
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