



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: ADMHS
Department No.: 043
For Agenda Of: 7-17-07
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Douglas C. Barton, Interim Director ADMHS
Director(s) Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Services
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SUBJECT: Aurora Vista del Mar Amendment FY 06-08

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

1. Approve and execute an amendment and renewal to the contract with Aurora Vista del Mar Hospital (not a local vendor), increasing funding from \$900,000 to \$1,200,000 for the period July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007, and extending the term of the contract through June 30, 2008, in the amount of \$1,200,000;
2. Authorize the Director of ADMHS to approve amendments to the proposed contract, provided that any such amendments do not exceed ten percent (10%) of the contract's dollar amount.

Summary Text:

Aurora Vista Del Mar (Aurora) provides acute Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital Services to adults with severe mental illness (SMI). Aurora provides observation and treatment for clients admitted involuntarily because they are determined to be a danger to themselves or others, pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code 5150. Aurora is the primary acute inpatient hospital providing services to county clients in need of hospitalization when the Santa Barbara County Psychiatric Health Facility (PHF) is at capacity. ADMHS has experienced an unanticipated increase of involuntary hospitalizations at Aurora since Cottage Hospital relinquished its "5150" designation and does not accept involuntary psychiatric

clients. Clients may be referred to the San Luis Obispo County PHF as space allows, however, scarce other local resources and a PHF that is regularly at capacity, has resulted in considerable growth in the number of individuals with acute SMI being placed with Aurora. In addition, in FY 06-07, a 44% increase in utilization of PHF beds for Sheriff’s inmates (419 bed days) has further limited the available PHF spaces, and resulted in additional clients placed at Aurora. The need for hospitalization has varied during FY 06-07 with spikes in usage of Aurora beds at different times making it difficult to identify the trend and project actual utilization in advance. This contract amendment and extension will provide reimbursement for services through FY 07-08.

Background:

Aurora, located in Ventura, is one of the closest facilities accepting client referrals from Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services (ADMHS). Aurora provides Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital Services such as psychiatric assessment, medication management and therapeutic services to clients requiring one-to-one intensive supervision. The services are designed to stabilize patients as rapidly as possible and return them to an improved level of functioning.

The provider has exceeded the services anticipated by the contract for FY 06-07 which anticipated approximately 1,380 bed days. Aurora actually provided 1,821 hospital bed days to 253 ADMHS clients with an average length of stay of 7.2 days. In addition, ADMHS expects the provider will maintain this level of service through the next fiscal year and, to sustain the level of service, proposes extending the contract in the amount of \$1,200,000 for FY 07-08.

Performance Measure:

Approval of the recommended action will assist ADMHS in meeting the following **Recurring Performance Measures:**

RPM 0230 to provide effective mental health care to 4,900 seriously mentally ill adults.

Mental Health Services are mandated by the Welfare and Institutions Code, Section 5600.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Select_Budgeted

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund			
State - Realignment	\$ 1,200,000	\$ 1,200,000	
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 1,200,000	\$ 1,200,000	\$ -

Narrative:

The Aurora Vista Del Mar contract is funded by Realignment revenue. This funding source is identified in the Adopted FY 2006-07 and 2007-08 Budget, Federal and State Revenues line item 4102 – Realignment, (page D-144 in the FY 2006-07 County Budget Book and page D-160 in the FY 2007-08 County Budget Book, in the Hospital and Jail Services Division). The proposed expenditures are included in the FY 2006-07 and 2007-08 budgets for Professional and Special Services, Expenditure Line Item Account 7460. Execution of this contract will not increase the use of general fund dollars by the ADMHS Department.

Special Instructions:

Please send one (1) fully executed copy of amendment and minute order to:

Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Services
ATTN: Contracts Office
300 N. San Antonio Road
Santa Barbara, CA 93110

Attachments:

Aurora Vista del Mar FY 06-08 Amendment

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