



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Public Health
Department No.: 041
For Agenda Of: May 7, 2019
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Van Do-Reynoso, MPH, PhD., Director
Director(s) Public Health Department
Contact Info: Jan Koegler, Manager, Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program
SUBJECT: Public Health Pandemic and Emergency Preparedness Grant

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors consider the following recommendations:

- a) Approve, ratify, and authorize the Public Health Department Director to execute amendment A01 to Agreement No. 17-10193 with the California Department of Public Health Emergency Preparedness Office to increase the funding amount by \$78,890 from \$3,156,945 to \$3,235,835 for the Public Health Emergency Preparedness, State General Fund Pandemic Influenza, and Hospital Preparedness Program grants without changing the period of performance of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2022.
- b) Determine that the about activity is not a “project” within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act and is therefore exempt per CEQA Guideline Section 15378(b)(4), since the recommended action is a government fiscal activities which does not involve commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

Summary Text:

This item on the agenda is to approve and authorize the Public Health Department (PHD) Director to execute an amendment with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) to accept \$78,890 in additional funds for this comprehensive grant for public health, pandemic, and hospital emergency preparedness. This agreement includes the scope of work and budget for the Center for Disease Control (CDC), Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP), General Fund (GF) Pandemic Influenza, and Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP).

Background:

Beginning in 2002, PHD received funds to prepare the local health care community to respond to bioterrorism and terrorism, infectious disease, natural disasters, and other public health threats and emergencies. This funding was authorized by Congress through the Public Health and Social Services Emergency Fund (Section 319 of the Public Health Services Act, 42 U.S.C. 247d) for countering potential biological threats to the civilian population. It was provided for under the Department of Defense and Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Recovery from and Response to Terrorist Attacks on the United States Act, 2002 (Public Law 107-117).

The CDC administers this funding to states for public health preparedness. The Assistant Secretary for Prevention and Response (ASPR) awards the Hospital Preparedness Program grant to develop and maintain disaster preparedness of the local healthcare system.

Beginning in the FY 2006-07, the state’s “California General Fund Pandemic Influenza Funds” provided additional annual funding to county health departments to prepare for pandemic influenza.

The agreement includes a budget and scope of work for grant activities. The scope of work is based on federal capability standards for disaster planning, personnel, equipment, training, exercises, and healthcare coalition development. In the scope of work there are 15 PHEP capabilities for health departments, 4 HPP capabilities for the local healthcare system, disaster healthcare coalition, and healthcare organization preparedness, and 1 capability for pandemic influenza preparedness. The checkboxes in the work plan indicate the items that are to be completed during the current fiscal year.

This grant agreement combines funding from three (3) state and federal agencies as outlined below:

| Grant | Funding Source | Period | Amount | Grant Purpose |
|---|---|---------------------|--------------------|--|
| 1. Public Health Emergency Preparedness | Centers for Disease Control | 7/1/17 thru 6/30/22 | \$1,779,310 | Increase ability of health departments to identify and respond to bioterrorism, infectious disease, natural disasters, and other public health emergencies. |
| 2. Hospital Preparedness Program | Assistant Secretary for Prevention and Response | 7/1/17 to 6/30/22 | \$1,083,720 | Implement a disaster healthcare coalition to plan for disasters with all partners. Increase ability of hospitals and the health care system to prepare and respond to bioterrorism and medical and public health emergencies through implementation of plans and exercises and a local coordinating disaster healthcare coalition to plan for disasters with all partners. |
| 3. Pandemic Influenza Preparedness | State General Fund | 7/1/17 to 6/30/22 | \$372,805 | Prepare health departments to respond to pandemic influenza by meeting specific objectives set by CDPH. |
| TOTAL | | | \$3,235,835 | |

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis: Approving this amendment with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) will increase the contract amount by an additional \$78,890 for equipment for the Public Health Lab.

The Board approved the original agreement for \$3,156,945 August 22, 2017 (Attachment B).

The Board is requested to authorize the Public Health Director to execute this amended agreement for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2022 for Public Health Emergency Preparedness, Hospital Preparedness Program and Pandemic Influenza Preparedness in an amount not to exceed \$3,235,835.

For the Fiscal Year 2018-19, the allotment of \$616,298 is included as part of the adopted Public Health Department budget. A budget adjustment for the unanticipated revenue of \$78,890 will follow for Fiscal Year 2019-20. There is no increase in the use of the County’s General Fund resources as a result of executing this agreement.

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:
0

FTEs:
0

Special Instructions:

Please return one (1) certified electronic Minute Order to phdcu@sbcphd.org.

Attachments:

- A. First Amendment to PHEP Revenue Agreement with CDPH
- B. PHEP Agreement No. 17-10193 with CDPH

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