



City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

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TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: DECEMBER 17, 2019

FROM: COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WARD: 1
DEPARTMENT

SUBJECT: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE 2019-2020 UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT ANNUAL ACTION PLAN TO REPROGRAM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDING TO UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA RIVERSIDE HEALTH – HULEN PLACE/PRIMARY CARE SERVICES

ISSUE:

Approve an amendment to the City of Riverside 2019-2020 Department of Housing and Urban Development Annual Action Plan to reprogram Community Development Block Grant funds in the amount of \$47,500 from the originally funded Health to Hope Clinics Program to University of California Riverside Health – Hulen Place/Primary Care Services.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Authorize an amendment to the 2019-2020 Department of Housing and Urban Development Annual Action Plan to reprogram \$47,500 in Community Development Block Grant funds to University of California Riverside Health – Hulen Place/Primary Care Services;
2. Authorize a funds transfer of Community Development Block Grant funds in the amount of \$47,500 from Health to Hope Clinics earmarked in Unprogrammed Funds Account to the UCR Health Program Account; and
3. Authorize the City Attorney’s Office to prepare the Community Development Block Grant Agreement with University of California Riverside Health and authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute the Agreement, including making minor non-substantive changes and to sign all documents and instruments necessary to implement this action.

DISCUSSION:

As of June 26, 2019, Health to Hope Clinics is no longer operating as a health services provider to the City of Riverside homeless population. Prior to its closure, Health to Hope Clinics had been awarded Community Development Block Grant Funding (CDBG) to provide primary care, mental health and substance abuse services to approximately 2,000 homeless people. The proposed

amendment to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Annual Action Plan will reprogram \$47,500 of CDBG funds from the Health to Hope Clinics to University of California Riverside (UCR) Health, which will provide a similar scope of primary care, mental health and substance abuse services.

A public notice was issued announcing the proposed amendment to the HUD Annual Action Plan and a 30-day public comment period was provided in compliance with HUD regulations. The original notice was published in the Press Enterprise on Friday, November 15, 2019 and included the date this action would be considered by the City Council. The proposed project is eligible under the HUD CDBG National Objective low-moderate limited clientele since it benefits a clientele presumed to be low-income by HUD Regulations.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funds allocated to Health to Hope in the amount of \$47,500 will be returned to the unprogrammed fund Account No. 2835100-453001. Funding in the amount of \$47,500 will be transferred from the unprogrammed fund Account No. 2835100-453001 and transferred to the UCR Health Program Account No. 2835100-453023.

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