



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR

July 28, 2020

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager

Submitted by: Lisa Warhuus, Director, Health, Housing & Community Services

Subject: Revenue Grant Agreement: Federal COVID19 Funding Support from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity CARES Grant

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or her designee to submit grant agreements to Heluna Health, to accept this COVID19 response grant, and to execute any resultant revenue agreements and amendments; which enables us to conduct and implement mitigation strategies in response to COVID19 for the following revenue agreement:

**Public Health Emergency Preparedness's COVID-19 Response Program** in the projected allocation of \$196,965 for FY 2021.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

The City of Berkeley will receive funds in the estimated amount of \$196,965 from the CDC ELC CARES grant for FY 2021. This contract will have its own identifying contract number and defined budget code:

**Public Health Emergency Preparedness's COVID-19 Response Program COVID-19 Crisis Response Revenue Budget Code 366-51-506-557-2075-000-000-431110- and Expenditure Budget Code 336-51-506-557-2075-000-451-511110-various.** No match required and revenue is expected to be \$196,965 for May 1, 2020 through March 23, 2022.

The funds will be appropriated as part of the First Amendment to the FY 2021 Annual Appropriations Ordinance.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

The City of Berkeley receives funding from many sources annually to conduct efforts towards improving the health of the community. As a local health jurisdiction, the City is entitled to specific Federal and State funding to meet core public health objectives. The Public Health Division is committed to providing essential services to the community to prevent the spread of disease and to respond to health threats such as pandemics.

## BACKGROUND

As a local health jurisdiction (LHJ), the City of Berkeley provides a broad range of public health programs and services to the community, with the goals of addressing health inequities, promoting healthy environments and behaviors, protecting residents from disease, and preventing illness, disability, and premature death. The total additional anticipated revenue from this federal grant is \$196,965 from May 1, 2020 through March 23, 2022.

As part of the “Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act” or the “CARES Act” of 2020, Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) is awarding a total of nearly \$631 million nationally. Under this program-initiated component funding under the Emerging Issues (E) Project of CK19-1904, henceforth ‘ELC CARES’, California has received \$20,000,000. CDPH has allocated ELC CARES funding for each LHJ with a base amount of \$150,000 and then prorated by population.

The intention of this funding is to rapidly establish and monitor key activities related to COVID-19 in the areas of epidemiology, laboratory, and informatics. Monitoring the indicators associated with these activities is intended to assist State, local, and territorial governments in making data-driven policy decisions regarding testing, mitigation, and prevention efforts. The Public Health PH Division’s Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program (PHEPP) is best able to receive, manage and monitor these grant funds while ensuring the contract deliverables are met. PHEPP supports the City’s greatest Public Health response needs to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19.

## ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

There are no identifiable environmental effects or opportunities associated with the subject of this report.

## RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

These funds support vital emergency response actions and services related to our mandates as a public health jurisdiction and local initiatives designed to address health inequities in Berkeley and improve the health of Berkeley residents. These non-competitive grants support the Department’s mission and provide the City with funding to continue emergency response efforts that protect and improve the health of the community.

## ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

This funding is essential for the Public Health Division’s mission and goals. The Public Health Division assesses each funding source to ensure that it supports the City’s mission and goals. The alternative action of not seeking any of these funding sources would result in a significant reduction in public health services to the community.

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Attachments:

1. Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,### –N.S.

REVENUE GRANT AGREEMENT: FEDERAL COVID19 FUNDING SUPPORT FROM THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION FOR THE EPIDEMIOLOGY AND LABORATORY CAPACITY CARES GRANT

WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley Department of Health, Housing & Community Services, Public Health Division, is committed to promoting and protecting the health of the public and the environment by supporting the City's greatest Public Health response needs to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley Department of Health, Housing & Community Services provides a broad range of needed public health program services to the community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley Department of Health, Housing & Community Services works to promote healthy environments and behaviors, protect residents from disease, and prevent illness, disability, and premature death; and

WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley Department of Health, Housing & Community Services seeks to eliminate health inequities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley should seek outside funding wherever possible to fund vital emergency response services; and

WHEREAS, the budgets codes to be used are: Budget Codes (Revenue) 366-51-506-557-2075-000-000-431110-; and (Expenditure) 336-51-506-557-2075-000-451-511110-various.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is hereby authorized to submit a grant agreement to Heluna Health for funding for July 1, 2020 through March 23, 2022 for the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program's COVID-19 response to promote and protect the health of the public and the environment by supporting the City's greatest Public Health response needs to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19; to accept the grant funds; execute any resultant revenue agreements and amendments in line with the grant award, which may be larger or smaller than the projected award of \$196,965; and implement the projects and appropriation of funding for related expenses, subject to securing the grant. A record signature copy of said agreements and any amendments shall be on file in the office of the City Clerk.