



Board Agenda Item 58

DATE: July 13, 2021

TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBMITTED BY: Delfino E. Neira, Director, Department of Social Services

SUBJECT: Retroactive Amendment to the Revenue Agreement with the City of Fresno

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute a retroactive First Amendment to Agreement No. 20-358 with the City of Fresno for Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act Emergency Solutions Grant funds extending the term by one year and 20 days from June 10, 2021 to June 30, 2022, with no change to the compensation maximum of \$1,998,335.

There is no Net County Cost associated with the recommended action. Approval of the recommended amendment will allow the County to continue utilizing Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG-CV) funds to provide ongoing prevention and containment efforts for those experiencing homelessness during the COVID-19 pandemic as part of the joint response services provided in coordination with the City of Fresno (City). This item is countywide.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION(S):

There is no viable alternative action. Should your Board not approve the recommended action, the County would be unable to fully utilize the \$1,998,335 intended to protect the health and safety of people experiencing homelessness and reduce the spread of COVID-19.

RETROACTIVE AGREEMENT:

The recommended amendment is retroactive to June 10, 2021 due to a delay in obtaining the final amendment from the City which was received on June 16, 2021.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no increase in Net County Cost associated with the recommended action. The City ESG-CV funding (\$1,998,335) includes an allowance of 5.3%, or \$105,176, to be retained by the Department of Social Services for administrative costs. There is no matching contribution required for these funds. The funds must be fully expended by June 30, 2022. As of June 18, 2021, a total of \$382,222 in expenses have been designated for reimbursement through the recommended agreement. Sufficient appropriations and estimated revenues are included in the Department's Org 5610 FY 2021-22 Recommended Budget.

DISCUSSION:

On September 22, 2020, your Board approved Revenue Agreement No. 20-358 with the City for CARES ESG-CV funding to implement joint response services in coordination with the City to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19, among individuals and families who are experiencing homelessness and to

support additional homeless assistance and homelessness prevention activities to mitigate the impact of COVID-19.

If approved, the recommended action will enable the Department to provide continued COVID-19 homelessness response prevention and containment efforts for temporary shelters, including, but not limited to, medically indicated services and supplies, such as testing and handwashing stations, and enhancements to existing shelter facilities. The recommended amendment expands joint response scope of services to include rapid rehousing services intended to connect those experiencing homelessness with permanent housing. The recommended amendment also adds progressive expenditure deadlines in alignment with the CARES ESG-CV expenditure deadlines outlined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

REFERENCE MATERIAL:

BAI #72, September 22, 2020

ATTACHMENTS INCLUDED AND/OR ON FILE:

On file with Clerk - Amendment I to Agreement No. 20-358 with City

CAO ANALYST:

Sonia M. De La Rosa