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AGENDA REPORT

TO: Sabrina B. Landreth
City Administrator

FROM: Sara Bedford
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SUBJECT: CDCR Contract and Grant Agreement
for Center for Employment
Opportunities

DATE: April 29, 2019

City Administrator Approval

Date:

5/2/19

RECOMMENDATION

Staff Recommends That The City Council Adopt A Resolution To Authorize The City Administrator To:

- 1) Enter Into A Three-Year Agreement With California Department Of Corrections And Rehabilitation (CDCR) And Accept And Appropriate Up To \$3,760,720 Annually To Implement Golden State Works Transitional Employment And Job Placement Services For Oakland Residents On Parole; And Enter Into A Renewal Agreement And Accept And Appropriate Up To \$3,900,000 For A Fourth Year Of Funding; And
- 2) Enter Into A Three-Year Grant Agreement With Center For Employment Opportunities (CEO), In An Annual Amount Not To Exceed \$3,488,384 To Provide Job Placement Services, And Pending Available Funding From CDCR Amend The Grant Agreement For A Fourth Year Of Funding In An Amount Not To Exceed \$3,380,000; And
- 3) Accept And Appropriate Any Additional Funds That Become Available From CDCR Within The Agreement Terms Of July 1, 2019 Through June 30, 2023, And Amend The Grant Agreement With CEO To Increase The Grant Amount; And
- 4) Enter Into A Data Sharing Agreement With CDCR To Implement The Automated Reentry Management System.

Item: _____
Public Safety Committee
April 23, 2019

REASON FOR SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

At the April 23, 2019 Public Safety Committee, staff was asked to prepare a supplemental report addressing two questions:

- 1) Can Caltrans litter abatement efforts take place on state roads located in Oakland such as High Street, International Blvd, and San Pablo Avenue?

- 2) Are alternate job options besides litter abatement available to participants on parole who take part in the Golden State Works (GSW) program?

Response to Question #1: In past years, redeployment of Caltrans work crews was requested and not approved by either Caltrans or the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR). The Human Services Department has reached out to Caltrans to reengage the agency in these conversations and has connected with the City Administrator's Office on this effort given their ongoing coordination meetings with Caltrans.

Response to Question #2: The Golden State Works (GSW) contract is primarily funded by Caltrans, in partnership with CDCR and run by Center for Employment Opportunities (CEO). The focus of this particular contract is on providing crew-based litter abatement work for individuals on parole.

The CEO is a full-service employment program that provides participants with access to a range of opportunities. CEO provides daily feedback to participants of the GSW contract regarding work readiness and endeavors to place individuals quickly in unsubsidized jobs in a range of in-demand industries, such as construction, manufacturing, pest control, customer service and sales, among others. CEO has also partnered with Caltrans to develop trainings on the Caltrans hiring process along with coaching and best practices. Several GSW participants have been hired as full time employees by Caltrans.

Both the City and CDCR also fund other employment programs for individuals on parole, using alternative (not Caltrans) funds. In utilizing Safety and Services Act funds, Oakland Unite offers program participants access to other employment providers whose programs include transitional employment opportunities, coaching and job search support, and connection to permanent unsubsidized employment in a variety of industries similar to CEO's job placements. In the 2019-2022 funding cycle, Oakland Unite seeks to deepen the services offered by employment providers to include additional training to enhance next-step career opportunities.

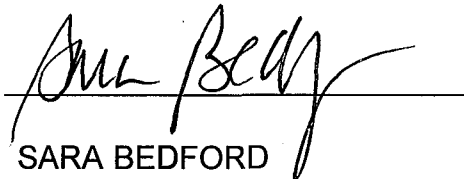
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For questions regarding this report, please contact Sara Bedford, Human Services Director at (510) 238-6794.

Respectfully submitted,



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