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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

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City Attorney

RESOLUTION No. 83994 C.M.S.

Introduced by Councilmember _____

RESOLUTION 1) WAIVING THE COMPETITIVE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL/QUALIFICATIONS PROCESS, AND 2) AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH WESTED FOR SPECIALIZED TRAINING & TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR HEAD START STAFF ON THE SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL FOUNDATIONS OF EARLY LEARNING IN AMOUNTS NOT TO EXCEED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013 AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000, CONTINGENT UPON RECEIPT OF GRANT FUNDING

WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services, Head Start Program desires the City of Oakland to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with WestEd to provide specialized training & technical assistance on the social and emotional foundations of early learning to Head Start program staff in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for fiscal year 2012-2013 and \$50,000 for fiscal year 2013-2014 for a total amount not to exceed \$100,000, contingent upon receipt of grant funding and on satisfactory evaluation of contractor after the first year; and

WHEREAS, WestEd is one of 10 Regional Educational Laboratories funded by the U.S. Department of Education and WestEd serves the Western Region (which includes Arizona, California, and Nevada), generating new knowledge, providing technical assistance, and conducting research to support the goals of school districts, and states in educating every student to high standards; and

WHEREAS, WestEd works with the national resource center, Center on the Social and Emotional Foundations of Early Learning (CSEFEL), funded by the federal Office of Head Start, Child Care Bureau - Administration of Children & Families, and the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, to disseminate research and evidence-based practices and provide training & technical assistance to early childhood programs across the country; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Head Start and the Child Care Bureau selected eleven states across the nation to be CSEFEL State Partners in their efforts, and selected California as one of the CSEFEL state partners; and

WHEREAS, WestEd's specialized training and technical assistance (now known as The Teaching Pyramid) is focused on promoting the social emotional development and school readiness of young children birth to age 5; and

WHEREAS, the Oakland Head Start program elected to participate in the WestEd Teaching Pyramid (formerly known as CSEFEL) partnership by providing training and technical assistance consisting of three phases to be implemented program-wide with Head Start staff, the first phase of which was implemented in PY 2011-2012; and

WHEREAS, the Teaching Pyramid training will resume with the second phase being implemented program-wide in PY 2012-2013, beginning with the Oakland Head Start Pre-service in August 2012 and ending in August 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Teaching Pyramid training will resume with the third phase of implementation program-wide in PY 2013-2014, beginning with the Oakland Head Start Pre-service in August 2013 and ending in August 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Teaching Pyramid training in PY 2012-2013 and PY 2013-2014, will focus on strengthening the social emotional and school readiness outcomes of young children and assisting Head Start program staff in enhancing and strengthening teaching and curriculum strategies which promote social emotional development, support for children's appropriate behavior, and address problematic behavior; and

WHEREAS, the Head Start Performance Standards 1304.53 (k)(2)(3) mandate that Head Start programs must provide a structured approach to staff training and development in order to help build skills and knowledge needed to fulfill their job responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, WestEd is the only company in the area that provides training on the Teaching Pyramid model to fit the Federal Head Start mandates; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland, Department of Human Services, Head Start program has found WestEd to be a cost effective means of providing specialized, evidence-based training and technical assistance on the social and emotional foundations of early learning for approximately 38 Head Start program staff within 14 classrooms; and

WHEREAS, the professional services agreements will be fully funded through the Head Start program grants approved by City Council on May 10, 2012 (Resolution No. 83886 C.M.S.), in the amount of \$50,000 in the fiscal year of 2012-2013 and \$50,000 in the fiscal year of 2013-2014, contingent on receipt of grant funding in the fiscal year of 2013-2014, and will be available in Department of Human Services Fund (2128), Head Start Organization (78231), and Head Start Projects (G4225) for FY 2012-2013 and (TBD) for FY 2013-2014 (contingent on receipt of grant funding) to pay for WestEd services; and

WHEREAS, Oakland Head Start has submitted a grant application to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, for funding Head Start Professional Services Agreements for program year 2012-2013 and will submit a grant application to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for funding Head Start Professional Services Agreements for program year 2013-14; and

WHEREAS, Oakland Municipal Code section 2.04.051.B permits the Council to waive the request for proposal/qualifications (“RFP/Q”) process upon a finding that it is in the best interest of the City to do so; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that it is in the best interest of the City to waive the RFP/Q process because WestEd is the only company in the area to offer training on the Teaching Pyramid model consistent with the federal Head Start mandates; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that this contract shall not result in the loss of employment or salary by any person having permanent status in the competitive service; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That pursuant to Oakland Municipal Code section 2.04.051.B and findings set forth above and in the City Administrator's report accompanying this item, the City Council finds and determines that is in the best interests of the City to waive the competitive RFP/Q process for the agreement with WestEd and so waives the requirement; and be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby authorizes the City Administrator or her designee to execute a Professional Services Agreement with WestEd for specialized training & technical assistance for Head Start staff on the social and emotional foundations of early learning, in amounts not to exceed \$50,000 for fiscal year 2012-2013 and \$50,000 for fiscal year 2013-2014 for a total amount not to exceed \$100,000, contingent on receipt of Head Start grant funds and based on a satisfactory evaluation of the contractor after the first year; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Administrator or her designee, is hereby authorized to approve any subsequent amendments, modifications, or extensions of this Professional Services Agreement provided that such amendments or extensions shall be approved as to form and legality by the Office of the City Attorney and filed with the Office of the City Clerk.

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IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, ~~BRUNNER~~, DE LA FUENTE, ~~KAPLAN~~, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, SCHAAF and
PRESIDENT REID - 6

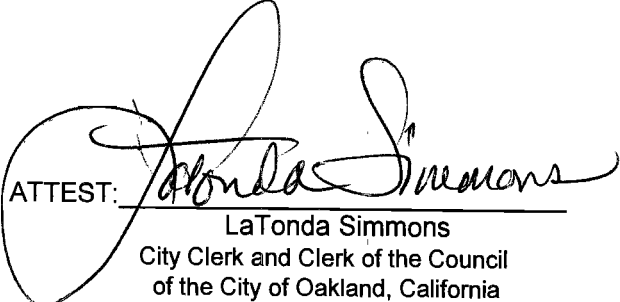
NOES - 0

ABSENT - Brunner - 1

ABSTENTION - 0

Excused - Kaplan - 1

ATTEST:


LaTonda Simmons
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California