

CITY OF OAKLAND

AGENDA REPORT

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TO: Office of the City Administrator
ATTN: Dan Lindheim
FROM: Department of Human Services
DATE: May 25, 2010

RE: **Supplemental To A Report Regarding Options For The Use Of Measure Y, Violence Prevention And Public Safety Act Of 2004, Reserve Funds And Safe Challenge Grant And A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator With Measure Y Funding To Execute Grant Agreements With Alameda County Health Care Services Agency For An Emergency Shelter For Sexually Exploited Minors In An Estimated Amount Of \$112,500 And Authorizing The Department Of Human Services To Provide Support And Employment Services For Young Adults On Probation Or Parole Under The Call-In Strategy For \$90,000 Both Agreements Are For The Period Of July 1, 2010 To June 30, 2011 With An Option To Renew For One Year In The Same Amount**

In light of the possibility that the City of Oakland may be unable to collect Measure Y funding after July 1, 2010, the Department of Human Services would like to withdraw its report and recommendations regarding the use of Measure Y Reserve Funds and the Safe House Challenge Grant.

DHS wishes to return to City Council with a revised report with recommendations for the use of any unexpended Measure Y funds after July 1, 2010 taking into account the current situation and providing thoughtful and carefully considered options.

There are a number of key areas that need to be considered.

- DHS Measure Y staff will need to be retained for some amount of time to complete the processing, monitoring and closing out of the grant agreements that allow for and ensure the delivery of the program services as specified under the legislation. Tasks will include processing final reports, invoices, CitySpan data, file closeouts, etc. Most grantees submit final reports July 31, 2010 but a few continue through September with final invoicing and payments in October 2010.
- Measure Y grantees leveraged over \$3.2 million in other grant funding, much of which is dependent on Measure Y funding as match. Similarly, the City of Oakland also has grants such as CalGRIP Call In grant, Atlantic Philanthropies school based health clinics, pending Oakland Housing Authority reentry funding, and others that are dependent on Measure Y for matching funds. DHS needs to assess where leveraging will be lost and work to minimize the ripple effect that the lack of Measure Y funding will have.

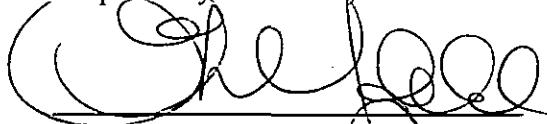
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- Given the increase in violence in summer months, DHS would also look at supporting program services that can best address these immediate issues. DHS would also take into consideration the impact of state budget reductions such as the implementation of non-revocable parole and early release of prisoners.
- Measure Y is the primary funder of some strategies and one of many funders for other strategies. If City Council determines that a November ballot would include a public safety measure that supports continued violence prevention services, it would be wise to identify continued support through November for strategies that are likely to be completely eliminated without Measure Y funding.
- DHS will also review opportunities where other funding might help mitigate the impact of these reductions including pending grant applications and stimulus funding.

It should be noted that the current inter-connected network of programs addressing violence prevention is a testament to the important work that Measure Y has accomplished. However, Measure Y is the backbone of this network and without this funding, it is anticipated that many programs and maybe even some agencies would not survive.

Moreover, if continued funding were approved on a November ballot, it is not possible to disband programs starting in July and expect that they can be reconstituted five months later in December. There has been a huge investment by the City over the years in identifying and training the right people to do this work, but those individuals will need to find other employment and thus it will be akin to starting over for discontinued programs.

Respectfully submitted,



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