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RESOLUTION No. 85028 C.M.S.

Introduced by Councilmember _____

RESOLUTION: 1) AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE A LIBRARY SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY ACT (LSTA) GRANT FROM THE CALIFORNIA STATE LIBRARY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$90,000; 2) AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO A ONE-YEAR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH BEATS RHYMES AND LIFE, INC. FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED NINETY-THOUSAND (\$90,000) BEGINNING JULY 1, 2014; AND 3) WAIVING THE ADVERTISING AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL/QUALIFICATIONS (RFP/Q) PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED AGREEMENT WITH BEATS RHYMES AND LIFE, INC.

WHEREAS, Youth living in East and West Oakland cope with daily episodes of extreme violence and may have limited resources and support to handle the trauma; and

WHEREAS, the Oakland Public Library (OPL) and the Oakland Parks and Recreation Department seek to utilize their locations to serve as community mental health hubs for boys and young men of color; and

WHEREAS, Oakland-based Beats Rhymes and Life, Inc. provides an innovative therapeutic activity group (TAG) model designed to reach underserved youth by integrating youth culture and community-defined strategies; and

WHEREAS, The California State Library administers LSTA grants and is making funds available for this program in fiscal year 2015 (July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015); and

WHEREAS, Oakland Municipal Code (OMC) section 2.04.051.A. requires the City Administrator to conduct a RFP/Q process for professional service agreement in excess of \$25,000 and OMC Section 2.04.051.B permits the City Council to waive the competitive 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 Beats Rhymes and Life, Inc. is the only non-profit in the country that provides the unique and specialized therapy model trademarked by the non-profit, and the approach used combines the focus of arts education, youth development and mental health services in a comprehensive and integrated manner, and due to Beats Rhymes and Life, Inc.'s participation the State Library determined, through a competitive grant selection process, that OPL's proposal is an innovative approach to aligning mental health services in library programming goals; and

WHEREAS, the City Administrator has determined that this agreement is of a professional and temporary nature and shall not result in the loss of employment or salary by any person having permanent status in the competitive civil service; and

WHEREAS, The State of California LSTA is funding library programs designed to foster community connections; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Administrator, or his designee, is hereby authorized to apply for, accept and appropriate grant funds from the LSTA in an amount not to exceed \$90,000; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That said funds shall be deposited in the California Library Services Fund (2148), Teen Services organization (61321), and in a project to be assigned; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That should such funds be awarded, the City Council hereby authorizes the City Administrator or his designee to enter into a contract with Beats Rhymes and Life, Inc. to provide hip hop therapy programs to Oakland youth during fiscal year 2014-2015 in an amount not to exceed \$90,000; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Council finds that pursuant to Oakland Municipal Code Section 2.04.051.B., for the reasons stated above and in the City Administrator's report accompanying this resolution, that it is in the best interest of the City to waive advertising and the RFP/Q process for services to be purchased under the proposed contract and so waives the requirements; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby authorizes the City Administrator or his designee to conduct all negotiations, applications, agreements, and related actions which may be necessary for completion of the aforementioned grant and professional service agreement; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the professional service agreement shall be approved as to form and legality by the Office of the City Attorney and a copy of the fully executed agreement shall be placed on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

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IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, KAPLAN, REID, SCHAAF and PRESIDENT KERNIGHAN

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: 

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