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 AGENDA REPORT

 CITY OF OAKLAND

 TO: Sabrina B. Landreth City Administrator

 SUBJECT: Service Opportunity for Seniors

 DATE: October 21, 2016

 City Administrator Approval

RECOMMENDATION

Staff Recommends That The City Council Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To Enter Into A Grant Agreement With Service Opportunity for Seniors In An Amount Not To Exceed \$176,000 To Provide Operational Support To The Meals On Wheels Program For Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Adoption of the resolution will authorize a grant agreement between the City and Service Opportunity for Seniors (SOS) to provide nutritious meals to homebound seniors so they may continue to meet the needs of the community. This funding was approved by City Council in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-2017 Mid-cycle Adopted Budget. In 2015, SOS Meals on Wheels program served about 200,000 meals to over 1,200 unduplicated Oakland seniors. The \$176,000 grant will partially fund a shortfall caused by increased demand for home delivered meals and low donation rates paid by Oakland seniors who are served by the program.

BACKGROUND / LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

SOS provides Oakland's Meals on Wheels program. SOS is a nonprofit that has been providing meals on wheels services in Alameda County for 49 years, and began providing service to East Oakland seniors in 2012. In 2013, SOS began catering 500 meals daily for Oakland and in July 2014 assumed the contract from Alameda County Meals on Wheels to provide full service for Oakland seniors. The program is partly funded by Federal Older Americans Act and State Older Californians Act dollars that are contracted through the Alameda County Area Agency on Aging. The funding contract is not adequate to cover the full cost of the current service demand. In order for SOS to continue to serve Oakland's most in need seniors, the City Council has approved one-time funding of \$176,000 to supplement SOS's home delivery meal program in the FY 2016-2017 Mid-cycle Adopted Budget per Resolution No. 86250 C.M.S.

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ANALYSIS AND POLICY ALTERNATIVES

This report and resolution authorizes a grant agreement with SOS in an amount not to exceed \$176,000 to provide operational support for the Meals on Wheels program which delivers nutritious meals to home bound seniors for FY 2016-2017. Service Opportunity for Seniors will provide Meals on Wheels services for frail seniors who most urgently need assistance. Alameda County Area Agency currently funds the program at \$5.04 per meal. However, the total cost of the program including preparation and delivery is \$8.00 per meal. Oakland poses the additional challenge of an exceptionally low donation rate. Based on other Alameda County Cities SOS anticipated a donation from our senior population of \$1.00 per meal but received an average of only \$.30 per meal. Since they will serve almost 200,000 meals to Oakland seniors SOS, projects a budgeted revenue shortfall of \$140,000 from donations alone.

FISCAL IMPACT

The total cost for the recommended grant is \$176,000 included in the FY 2016-2017 Mid-cycle Budget as follows:

Agency	Amount	Fund	Organization	Account	Project	Program
SOS	\$176,000	1010	75631	54912	A490898	YS14
		General	Senior Center	Third Party:	Admin Grant	Empowering
		Purpose	Organization	Grant	Meals on	Seniors &
		Fund		Contracts	Wheels	People with
				Earned	Project	Disability
				Account		Program

SOS Meals on Wheels program served close to 200,000 meals to over 1,200 unduplicated Oakland seniors in 2015.

PUBLIC OUTREACH / INTEREST

This report did not require public outreach other than the posting of this report on the website.

COORDINATION

The Office of the City Attorney and the Controller's Bureau has been consulted in the preparation of this report and resolution.

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SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Economic: Funding will support senior Meals on Wheels program. In addition, Human Services funds are used to leverage and match additional local, State, Federal and foundation funding sources, bringing significant additional financial support for Oakland seniors.

Environmental: There is no known environmental impact.

Social Equity: Human Services funding prioritizes services that reach seniors with the greatest need. The home delivered meal program provides seniors with health and hunger support, and is essential assistance for older adults residing in Oakland to age in place.

ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Staff Recommends That The City Council Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To Enter Into A Grant Agreement With Service Opportunity for Seniors In An Amount Not To Exceed \$176,000 To Provide Operational Support To The Meals On Wheels Program For Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

For questions about this report, please contact Scott Means, Aging and Adult Services Manager at 510-238-6137.

Respectfully submitted,

SARA BEDFORD

Director, Human Services Department

AGING & ADULT SERVICES DIVISION

Reviewed by: Scott Means, Manager Prepared by: Maurine Watkins

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Approved as to Form and Legality

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO.

C.M.S.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH SERVICE OPPORTUNITY FOR SENIORS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$176,000 TO PROVIDE OPERATIONAL SUPPORT TO THE MEALS ON WHEELS PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017

WHEREAS, nutrition for isolated seniors is a critical need in order for Oakland's most vulnerable older adults to remain in their homes and avoid institutionalization;

WHEREAS, the City Council expressed support of the equitable treatment of senior populations with language, cultural, and other critical needs; and

WHEREAS, the reimbursement rate by Alameda County for funding Meals on Wheels programs is not sufficient to cover the full cost of home meal delivery; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to ensure low income Oakland seniors continue to receive food services; and

WHEREAS, the City Council passed and adopted a budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-2017 which includes funding for the Meals on Wheels program, a program provided by the organization Service Opportunity for Seniors (SOS) to deliver nutritious meals to homebound seniors; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to execute a grant agreement with Service Opportunity for Seniors to provide operational support to the Meals on Wheels program for FY 2016-2017 and funding has been included in the FY 2016-2017 Mid-cycle Budget as follows:

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; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City Administrator is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement with Service Opportunity for Seniors in the amount of \$176,000 for the Meals on Wheels program to provide direct meal services to seniors for FY 2016-2017; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Administrator is authorized to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, modifications, payment requests, and related actions which may be necessary for the above-referenced grant agreement, without increasing the amount of the agreements, without returning to City Council; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That said grant agreement shall be approved as to form and legality by the Office of the City Attorney and placed on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES- BROOKS, CAMPBELL WASHINGTON, GALLO, GUILLEN, KALB, KAPLAN, REID, AND PRESIDENT GIBSON MCELHANEY

NOES-ABSENT-ABSTENTION-

ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of Oakland, California