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The Honorable Board of Commissioners Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012 1-H November 7, 2018

CELIA ZAVALA EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Commissioners:

AGREEMENT WITH OCEAN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER FOR SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES THROUGH THE CONTINUUM OF CARE PROGRAM (ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

This letter recommends that your Board authorize an agreement with Ocean Park Community Center (OPCC), using Continuum of Care (CoC) Program funds allocated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to provide supportive services for homeless individuals and families with disabilities throughout Los Angeles County.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Authorize the Executive Director, or her designee, to execute, and if necessary, amend or terminate an agreement with OPCC, in the amount of \$134,886, to provide supportive services under the CoC Program.

2. Find that this agreement is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the reasons stated in this Board letter.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The CoC Program is a certificate-based program designed to link rental assistance with supportive services for homeless individuals and families with disabilities. CoC primarily provides assistance to those with serious mental illness, chronic substance abuse problems, and/or HIV/AIDS or related diseases.

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Each year, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development awards CoC funds competitively. The Housing Authority and the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority collaboratively submit an annual application for funding. In turn, this funding allows the Housing Authority to partner with community-based organizations across Los Angeles County to co-administer the CoC programs.

This year, the Housing Authority received additional CoC funding for supportive services, which will be administered via agreements with partner organizations who serve clients throughout Los Angeles County. The agreement with OPCC exceeds the Executive Director's delegated authority of \$100,000, and requires Board approval. The Housing Authority also has CoC agreements with 36 other partner organizations, which are under \$100,000 each and do not require Board approval.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no impact on the County general fund. The CoC funds are included in the Housing Authority's approved Fiscal Year 2018-2019 budget, and will be co-administered via agreements with partner organizations.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On October 24, 2018, the Housing Commission recommended approval of the recommended actions.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This action is not subject to CEQA because it is excluded from the definition of a project by section 21065 of the Public Resources Code and section 15378(b) of the State CEQA Guidelines.

Pursuant to 24 Code of Federal Regulation, Part 58, section 58.34(a)(4), this action is exempt from the National Environmental Policy Act because it involves activities that will not alter existing environmental conditions.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The proposed action will help to link rental assistance with supportive services for homeless individuals and families with disabilities throughout Los Angeles County.

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