



Los Angeles County
Children's Planning Council
Improving Children's Lives

October 7, 2008

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY CHILDREN'S PLANNING COUNCIL: APPROVAL OF AN
AMENDMENT TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE, SECTION 3.69.020**

(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

The Children's Planning Council is requesting that your Board approve amending Los Angeles County Code, Section 3.69.020, as well as extend the Council's ordinance through June 30, 2009—and on a year to year basis thereafter—contingent upon the Council's meeting its annual objectives and on available county funds.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Approve the attached revisions to the Children's Planning Council's current ordinance, Los Angeles County Code, Section 3.69.020.
2. Extend the fiscal commitments in Items 69 and 70 of the June 17, 2008 Agenda of your Board on a year to year basis, coinciding with the Council's annual sunset date. Funding for each year would be contingent upon the Council's meeting its objectives for the prior year and upon available County funds.
3. Re-direct the \$350,000 in Item 70 for the Earned Income Tax Credit project to the Council's community-building work.

CPC ordinance

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

With these amendments to the Council's current ordinance, the Children's Planning Council would become The Children's Council of Los Angeles County and change from being primarily a planning body into a community/government partnership that works to improve children's lives in local communities throughout the County. The Council would add First 5 LA to its membership while reducing its total members from the current 51 to 33, and add a Director of Service Planning Area/American Indian Children's (SPA/AIC) Councils to its staff.

The Children's Planning Council has accomplished a great deal during its 17 years, including the development of the County's five outcomes for child well-being; the first countywide data match indicating the numbers of children and families being served by the County's five largest health and human service departments; the first countywide Children's Score Card; the eight geographic Service Planning Areas; the eight Service Planning Area (SPA) Councils and the countywide American Indian Children's Council; Goal 5 in the Los Angeles County Strategic Plan; a partnership with the Department of Public Social Services, Department of Health Services, and community organizations that enrolled an additional 100,000 county children in the Medi-Cal program; a partnership with the Department of Public Social Services and the Service Planning Area/American Indian Children's Councils that secured detailed community recommendations for the re-allocation of the County's Long-Term Family Self-Sufficiency funds; the Earned Income Tax Credit campaign; the Safe Surrender program; and a host of system and service delivery improvements.

Now that a solid foundation for positive change has been laid, it is time for the Children's Planning Council to evolve into The Children's Council of Los Angeles County and work more actively and intensively to improve the lives of children and families in the communities in which they live. A smaller, more focused Council will be able to be even more productive. Half its members will be representatives of government agencies and half will represent the county's various communities, making the organization a true "Community/Government Partnership to Improve Children's Lives." The new Council will add a Director of SPA/AIC Councils to its staff to support these regional councils, and—through a relationship-based organizing model—build their capacity to more effectively serve their constituents through the creation of 35 new self-directed parent, youth and neighborhood networks by the end of the year. In addition, The Children's Council will create outcome-based roundtables, which will include SPA/AIC Council representatives, to develop and help implement specific goals in the County's five outcome areas of Good Health, Safety and Survival, Economic Well-Being, Social and Emotional Well-

Being and Educational Achievement and Workforce Readiness, and will work to develop new avenues for defining and gathering community-level data in these areas.

This restructuring of the Children's Planning Council to focus on strengthening communities presents an opportunity to further develop collaborative relationships with the County of Los Angeles, other commissions, and stakeholder groups. The Council's relationship with the County will be better clarified through defining mutual expectations, roles, and guidelines for working together toward common objectives. For instance, the Council will more closely partner with the County to help achieve specific County Strategic Plan objectives, such as strengthening partnerships with community-based organizations and building the capacity of local communities to provide effective supports for their children and families. A more extensive review and report of the Council's action plan and achievements will be provided in the upcoming three months.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommendations support the County's Strategic Plan Goal 5—Children & Families Well-Being. As mentioned above, outcome roundtables will be created for each of the five outcomes of child well-being addressed in Goal 5. Each roundtable will develop "do-able" recommended actions for improving results in its outcome area; coordinate implementation of these actions among county agencies, cities, schools, community-based organizations, and neighborhood residents; and measure progress in achieving the proposed results. The new ordinance will provide the structure that enables The Children's Council to more effectively address Goal 5 outcomes and meet the needs of children and families throughout the communities of Los Angeles County.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The Children's Planning Council requires that the funds approved by your Board on June 17, 2008 for Fiscal Year 2008-09—a maximum of \$510,000 from various county departments for joint planning and training services to improve conditions for county children and their families and \$950,000 in net county cost for community-building activities (\$600,000) and the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) project (\$350,000). The funds allocated for the EITC project, which is now being administered by United Way, would be used for additional community-building activities, including grants for resident-driven projects.

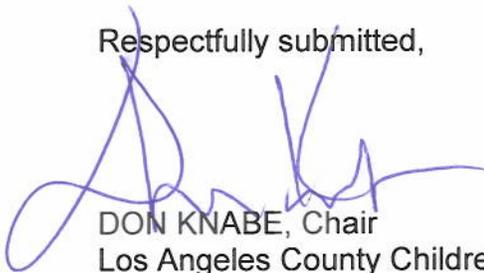
FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Section 3.69.020 of the County Code should be amended as outlined in the attachment to this Board letter.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the revised ordinance and an extension of the county's current funding for the Children's Planning Council for an additional year will enable the new Children's Council to focus more intensely on building the capacity of communities across the county by creating at least 35 new neighborhood networks by July 2009. Each of these networks will complete at least one community improvement project this year. These relationship-based networks, with the support of county departments, cities, schools, and community-based organizations, will then be able to build more effective supports for their children and families and improve results in one or more of the County's five outcomes of child well-being. If this additional funding is not approved, the Service Planning Area and American Indian Children's Councils will not be able to move forward to develop these 35 new networks.

Respectfully submitted,



DOM KNABE, Chair
Los Angeles County Children's Planning Council

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Attachments (2)

c: William T Fujioka, Chief Executive Officer
Sachi A. Hamai, Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Raymond G. Fortner, Jr., County Counsel
Sharon G. Watson, Executive Director, Children's Planning Council

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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Sachi A. Hamai, Executive Officer-
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

At its meeting held June 17, 2008, the Board took the following action:

69 and 70

The following items were called up for consideration:

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Los Angeles County Children's Planning Council's recommendation to approve and instruct the Chair to sign amendment to agreement with the Children's Planning Council Foundation, Inc., for various joint planning and training services for County children and their families, at a maximum contract cost of \$510,000 per fiscal year, effective July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2013, which coincides with the Children's Planning Council's sunset review date; and

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Los Angeles County Children's Planning Council's recommendation to approve and instruct the Chair to sign amendment to agreement with the Children's Planning Council Foundation, Inc., to modify the scope of work and County contribution terms for the purposes of extending the sunset review date for the Children's Planning Council and its various program initiatives for an additional five years, from July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2013; and approve Fiscal Year 2008-09 funding in amount of \$950,000 in Net County Cost.

Arnold Sachs and Patricia Mulcahey addressed the Board.

William T Fujioka, Chief Executive Officer, Miguel Santana, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, and Cheryl Mendoza, Acting Chief Executive Officer of the Children's Planning Council, responded to questions posed by the Board.

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After discussion, on motion of Supervisor Antonovich, seconded by Supervisor Yaroslavsky, unanimously carried, the Board took the following actions:

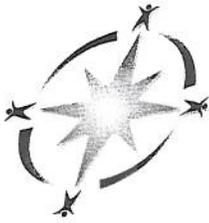
1. Adopted the Los Angeles County Children's Planning Council's attached recommendations as follows:
 - Item No. 69 with the exception of the portion referencing the contract's termination coinciding with the Children's Planning Council's sunset review date, which was extended 90 days for the Board's consideration once the Acting Auditor-Controller's report regarding the Sunset Review dates for all the Commissions has been completed; and
 - Item No. 70 with the exception of the portion relating to the extension of the sunset review date for the Children's Planning Council and its various program initiatives, which was extended 90 days for the Board's consideration once the Acting Auditor-Controller's report regarding the Sunset Review dates for all the Commissions has been completed; and
2. Instructed the Chief Executive Officer to report back to the Board within 90 days.

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Attachments

Copies distributed:

Each Supervisor
Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Acting Auditor-Controller
Acting Chief Executive Officer,
Children's Planning Council



Los Angeles County
Children's Planning Council
Improving Children's Lives

June 17, 2008

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

APPROVE THE ATTACHED AMENDMENT NUMBER FOUR TO THE AGREEMENT NUMBER 71891 WITH THE CHILDREN'S PLANNING COUNCIL FOUNDATION, INC., TO EXTEND THE AGREEMENT TERM FOR FIVE YEARS

(All Districts) (Three Votes)

IT IS THEREFORE RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

Approve and instruct the Chair to sign the attached Amendment Number Four to Agreement Number 71891 (Attachment A) for various joint planning and training services with The Children's Planning Council Foundation, Inc., with a maximum contract amount of \$510,000 per fiscal year, effective July 1, 2008, and terminating on June 30, 2013, coinciding with the Children's Planning Council sunset review date.

Attachment B contains a report of the accomplishments for the regional system of nine councils created by the Children's Planning Council and supported by the Interagency Operations Group (IOG) in the County's eight service planning areas and the American Indian community—collectively known as the SPA/AIC Councils—for fiscal years 2006–2007 and 2007–2008. Attachment C is the detailed report of accomplishments for the IOG for fiscal years 2006-2007 and 2007-2008.

PURPOSE OF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The Children's Planning Council (the Council) was established by the Board of Supervisors in 1991 as a public/private body to formulate the vision and goals, and promote the

planning and coordination needed, to improve results for Los Angeles County children and their families.

In August 1996, the Council formed The Children's Planning Council Foundation, Inc. (the Foundation), to serve as its fiscal arm—to raise, receive, and disburse monies to support the work of the Council.

In February 1997, the Board entered into Agreement Number 70563 with the Foundation, which laid out the mutual interest and responsibility for the Council on the part of Los Angeles County and the Foundation, and provided that the \$135,000 annual County allocation for the Council be paid to the Foundation. The Board approved an increase in this allocation to \$245,000 in July 2001. In October 2003, the Board entered into Agreement Number 74628, which continued the agreement to June 30, 2008.

In December 1998, the Board approved Agreement Number 71891 with the Foundation for various joint planning and training services for fiscal years 1998–1999 and 1999–2000, with a maximum contract amount of approximately \$500,000 per fiscal year. On May 23, 2000, the Board approved Amendment Number One to extend this Agreement through June 30, 2003. On June 4, 2003, the Board approved Amendment Number Two to extend this Agreement through June 30, 2006, and to increase the allocation to approximately \$600,000 per fiscal year. On May 30, 2006, the Board approved Amendment Number Three to extend this Agreement through June 30, 2008, with a funding allocation of \$510,000 per fiscal year.

JUSTIFICATION:

Various County departments and public and private agencies serving children continue to collaborate—with each other, with the Children's Planning Council, and with the SPA/AIC Councils—to better integrate planning and service delivery for the County's children and families. In the last two years, this work has deepened to include a stronger focus on more deliberate partnerships between County agencies and community residents on efforts to improve the five outcomes of child well-being (good health, safety and survival, economic well-being, social and emotional well-being, and education and workforce readiness). Through its work with County health and human services leaders and with the County Board of Supervisors, the Council's collaborative planning efforts and community-based input have helped transform the systems that affect children. This work has helped County agencies work more collaboratively, do a better job of integrating services across departments, more deeply focus on outcomes, collect and share data more effectively, and invest in the Council's community building work.

The Interagency Operations Group (IOG) plays a vital role in providing technical assistance as well as a space for departmental representatives to set the course for meaningful community building efforts in collaboration with community residents. Demonstration Impact Grant funding is an example of how County health and human services

agencies partner with community residents through the SPA/AIC Councils to demonstrate how small-scale experiential and relational work can directly integrate residents in results-based and responsible achievements toward improving the lives of children and families. The Children's Planning Council's work on the issues of juvenile justice and planning for the prevention and early intervention component of the Mental Health Services Act demonstrate how the Council and SPA/AIC Council-based efforts can complement existing departmental vehicles for community input.

The vision of creating a bridge between County government and community through the SPA/AIC Councils is coming to fruition through enhanced partnerships with the County, the IOG, and the Chief Executive Office. Key to this vision is ensuring that meaningful processes engage the community in the County change agenda. The Council's expertise is in translating the community reality to public systems and translating public systems to community residents.

Representatives of County departments and agencies serving children have pledged monies to support this public/private partnership by continuing to:

- Strengthen the infrastructure of the nine SPA/AIC Councils. Subject to Board approval, five County departments: Children and Family Services, Health Services, Mental Health, Public Social Services, and Probation) have each agreed to provide up to \$65,000 each and County Public Library has agreed to provide up to \$10,000, in allocated planning monies in fiscal years 2008–2009, 2009–2010, 2010–2011, 2011–2012, and 2012–2013 to the Children's Planning Council Foundation, Inc., for this purpose.
- Enhance the capabilities of the SPA/AIC Councils and various County departments, their staff, and their SPA/AIC Council representatives to effectively partner with the community and improve the delivery of services for children and families. Subject to Board approval, five County departments (Children and Family Services, Health Services, Mental Health, Public Social Services, and Probation) have each agreed to provide up to \$34,000 and County Public Library has agreed to provide up to \$5,000 in allocated planning monies in fiscal years 2008–2009, 2009–2010, 2010–2011, 2011–2012 and 2012–2013 to the Foundation to:
 1. Secure technical/consultant support for the IOG, a body chaired by various County departments on a rotating basis and charged with promoting the County's Vision for children and families by accelerating the implementation of, and generating solutions that remove operational barriers to, integrated services
 2. Engage in activities that support and accelerate the County's vision for children and families through the implementation of solutions that remove operational barriers to integrated services, and enhance alignment among County priorities and initiatives;

3. Support departmental staff to better understand their roles as members of the SPA/AIC Councils, and to support interdepartmental efforts to explore how best to link departmental community planning initiatives to the work of the SPA/AIC Councils and community building efforts. Support, to be provided by the IOG and CPC through the Center for Community Building, (CCB) can include the facilitation of interdepartmental dialogues, access to subject matter experts, presentations, the facilitation of County-community working sessions, and other assistance for collaborative planning efforts like the Demonstration Impact Grants (DIG), through which departmental staff strengthen their relationships with community residents by engaging in experiential learning about community building.

In addition, over \$2 million dollars has been raised to date by the Council from the private sector to fund several key activities in fiscal years 2006 through 2008. An additional \$5.5 million has been raised through a partnership with First 5 LA to help the Council strengthen its core to engage communities, institutions, and the SPA/AIC Councils on policy and data-driven projects leading to improved outcomes of child well-being.

Consistent with past practice, the IOG Leadership Team will conduct an annual review of the IOG Budget at the end of each fiscal year and transfer any unallocated monies to the Children's Planning Council to further support the infrastructure of the SPA/AIC Councils.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

Monies for these projects have already been identified in the various departmental annual budgets. Several of the private foundations that have funded these efforts through the Council require public sector support to demonstrate the public/private partnership approach. Future grants from these foundations would be jeopardized if County departments were not able to partially match these monies.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS:

This Amendment extends the term of the Agreement for five years, through June 30, 2013, and provides for the payment to The Children's Planning Council Foundation, Inc., of up to \$510,000 in each fiscal year—2008–2009, 2009–2010, 2010–2011, 2011–2012, and 2012–2013—with a Foundation match of \$100,000 in each fiscal year for various joint planning and training services. The Foundation will submit to the Board a final expenditure report in August 2013. The Executive Office will administer and monitor the Agreement on the County's behalf. County Counsel has reviewed and approved as to form the attached amendment.

In the event that the ordinance establishing the Children's Planning Council is extended beyond July 1, 2013, this Agreement may be amended, upon the mutual consent of parties and Board approval, to extend the term of this Agreement to coincide with the ordinance extension.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES:

As described in the attachments, through sustained partnerships with the New Directions Task Force, the Chief Executive Office, and various community groups, the Children's Planning Council and the IOG have played key roles in planning and implementing such countywide activities as the County Strategic Plan's Goal 5 (Children and Families' Well-Being), service integration initiatives, systems change efforts, and promoting and supporting community building.

The funds provided through this Agreement will enable the Council, its member departments, and other County departments and agencies to better engage and partner with communities in affecting the five outcome areas for children and families, and to further integrate their planning and service delivery efforts to ultimately improve outcomes for Los Angeles County children and families. Only by combining public and private planning, programming, and resources will the County's Vision for children be achieved:

"Los Angeles County children should reach adulthood having experienced a safe, healthy, and nurturing childhood which prepares them to become responsible and contributing members of the community."

This Amendment will not infringe on the role of the County in its relationship to its residents, and the County's ability to respond to emergencies will not be impaired. There is no risk exposure to the County.

Respectfully submitted,



Don Knabe, Chair
Los Angeles County Children's Planning Council

cc: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

Auditor-Controller
Director, Department of Children and Family Services
Director, Department of Health Services
Director, Department of Mental Health
Director, Department of Public Social Services
Chief Probation Officer
County Public Library
President, The Children's Planning Council Foundation, Inc.
Interagency Operations Group

ATTACHMENT A

**AMENDMENT NUMBER FOUR TO AGREEMENT NUMBER 71891
BETWEEN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
AND THE CHILDREN'S PLANNING COUNCIL FOUNDATION, INC.**

This Amendment Number Four to Agreement Number 71891 is made and entered into at Los Angeles, California this 17TH day of JUNE, 2008, by and between the County of Los Angeles (COUNTY) and The Children's Planning Council Foundation, Inc. (FOUNDATION).

WHEREAS, Agreement Number 71891 was originally executed by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors on December 21, 1998; and

WHEREAS, Amendment Number One to Agreement Number 71891 was approved by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors on June 13, 2000;

WHEREAS, this Amendment Two to Agreement Number 71891 was approved by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors on June 17, 2003; and

WHEREAS, this Amendment Three to Agreement Number 71891 was approved by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors on May 30, 2006; and

WHEREAS, this Amendment Four to Agreement Number 71891 is in accordance with Section 11 (Changes and Amendments).

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and mutual consent herein contained, said Agreement is amended as follows:

1. Section 3. is amended to read:

Section 3. Term

The term of this Agreement shall commence on the date of execution by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and shall terminate on June 30, 2013. This Agreement may be amended, upon the mutual consent of parties and with Board approval.

2. Section 4.2 is amended to read:

Section 4.2 The maximum contract sum for the period July 1, 1998 through June 30, 1999 is \$500,000. In addition, Foundation shall provide a match of \$250,000 for that period. Beginning with the fiscal year July 1, 2008, through June 30, 2009, and for each future fiscal year through 2013, County shall contribute \$510,000 to be used for the planning and training expenses of the Foundation.

3. Section 4.3 is amended to read:

Section 4.3 FOUNDATION CONTRIBUTION

Beginning fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009, and for each fiscal year through June 30, 2013, FOUNDATION shall provide a contribution of \$100,000 per fiscal year for the purpose of assisting in the funding of the operations of the FOUNDATION.

4. Section 15.1 is amended to read:

Section 15.1 Notice will be sent to FOUNDATION addressed as follows:

Cheryl Mendoza, Ph.D. (213) 893-0421
Children's Planning Council Foundation, Inc.
500 W. Temple Street, Rm B26, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Section 15.2 Notices and reports shall be sent to County addressed as follows:

Sachi Hamai, Executive Office of the Board of Supervisors
Hahn Hall of Administration Room 383
500 W. Temple Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012

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AMENDMENT NUMBER FOUR TO AGREEMENT NUMBER 71891

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has caused this Amendment Number Four to Agreement Number 71891, to be subscribed by Chair, the seal for said Board to be hereto affixed and attested by the Executive Officer-Clerk thereof, and FOUNDATION has caused this Agreement to be subscribed in its behalf by its duly authorized officer, on the day, month and year first above written.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By *George B. Bunker*
Chair, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Sachi Hamai
Executive Officer-Clerk of the
Board of Supervisors for the County of Los Angeles

By *[Signature]*
Deputy



THE CHILDREN'S PLANNING COUNCIL
FOUNDATION, INC.

By: *Roger Sharma*

Name: Roger Sharma

Title: Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Raymond Fortner
County Counsel

By: *[Signature]*
Brandon Nichols
Principal Deputy County Counsel

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