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

**Dear Supervisors:** 



Holly J. Mitchell Second District Lindsey P. Horva Third District Janice Hahn Fourth Distric Kathryn Barger Fifth District

**AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT AND IMPLEMENT AWARD NUMBER CLPC-4018 AND FUTURE** AWARDS AND/OR AMENDMENTS FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES FOR LOCAL CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING COUNCIL AND ENDORSE FUTURE MEMBERSHIP SLATE OF THE LOCAL CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING COUNCIL (ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

### **SUBJECT**

Provide authorization to accept and implement the award number CLPC-4018 and future contract awards and/or amendments from the California Department of Social Services to support the ongoing implementation of Local Child Care and Development Planning Council, endorse the Local Child Care and Development Planning Council membership roster, and sign the Certification Statement Regarding Composition of the Local Planning Care and Development Council membership roster.

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Approve and instruct the Director of the Department of Public Health (Public Health), or designee, to accept and implement award number CLPC-4018 from the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) for the ongoing implementation of Local Child Care and Development Planning Council also known as Local Planning Council (LPC) in the amount of \$499,089 which includes a Maintenance of Effort (net County cost) of \$64,000, for a total maximum reimbursable amount of \$435,089 for the period of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, funded by State General Funds and United States Department of Health and Human Services' Child Care and Development Block Grant Assistance Listing Number 93.575, subject to review and approval by Counsel.

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- 2. Delegate authority to the Director of Public Health, or designee, to accept and implement future awards and/or amendments that are consistent with the requirements of the CDSS award referenced in Recommendation 1, to extend the funding term at amounts to be determined by CDSS; and/or provide an increase or decrease in funding, subject to review and approval by County Counsel, and notification to your Board and the CEO.
- 3. Delegate authority to the Director of Public Health, or designee, to accept and implement future amendments that are consistent with the requirements of the CDSS award referenced above that reflect non-material and/or ministerial revisions to the award's terms and conditions and allow for the rollover of unspent funds and/or redirection of funds, subject to review and approval by County Counsel.
- 4. Delegate authority to the Director of Public Health, or designee, to endorse LPC membership rosters as identified in future Certification Statement(s) Regarding Composition of the LPC, with two-week advance written notice to your Board; and unless otherwise instructed, sign the Certification Statement Regarding Composition of LPC membership roster annually.

## PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of Recommendation 1 will allow Public Health to accept and implement the award from CDSS to support the ongoing implementation of LPC for childcare and development services.

Approval of Recommendation 2 will allow Public Health to accept and implement future awards and/or amendments that are consistent with the requirements of the CDSS award referenced above, to extend the term award at amounts determined by CDSS, and/or provide an increase or decrease in funding. This authority is being requested to enhance Public Health's efforts to expeditiously maximize grant revenue, consistent with Board policy 4.070: Full Utilization of Grant Funds.

Approval of Recommendation 3 will allow Public Health to accept and implement future amendments that are consistent with the requirements of the CDSS awards referenced above that reflect nonmaterial or ministerial revisions to the award's terms and conditions and will also allow Public Health to roll over unspent funds, and/or redirect funds.

Approval of recommendation 4 will allow Public Health to endorse and sign the LPCs membership roster, as required by CDSS, that is representative of the ethnic, programmatic, and geographic diversity of Los Angeles County (LAC). The members are individuals with expertise in a variety of fields who can contribute to the ongoing efforts to improve the availability and quality of childcare and development services in LAC.

# **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The recommended actions support North Star 1: Make Investments that transforms lives that address conditions which drive interactions with the LAC child welfare, homeless rehousing, carceral, law enforcement and justice systems, of the County's Strategic Plan.

### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Public Health will accept award from CDSS in the amount of \$499,089 which includes a Maintenance of Effort (net County cost) of \$64,000, for a total maximum reimbursable amount of \$435,089 for the period of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025. Funds will support expenditures associated with

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operations of the of LPC, including salaries and employee benefits for staff in the Public Health's Office for Advancement of Early Care and Education (OAECE), data collection and analysis, strategic planning, equipment, document development, printing and distribution, and travel and training.

Funding is included in Public Health's Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 Final Adopted Budget and will be included in future FYs, as necessary.

There is no additional net County cost associated with this action.

## FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Historically, your Board has accepted funds from the California Department of Education (CDE) and the CDSS to support the ongoing implementation of LPC activities mandated in Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) Sections 10480 and 10485 – 10487, which supports the work of the LPC. WIC Code Section 10485 mandates that LPC provide a forum for the identification of local priorities for childcare and development services and the development of policies to meet the needs identified within those priorities.

Your Board authorized Public Health to act as the agent for the County to execute CDSS required certifications and amendments to implement contracts issued by CDSS to support ongoing LPC activities. Additionally, your Board also endorsed annual membership rosters which identified the composition of the LPC membership. The membership rosters included a nominee from each Board office who met the requirements of the WIC, were approved by the LPC, and endorsed by the County Superintendent of Schools.

OAECE provides support and oversight of the LPCs policy recommendation formulation, planning, and implementation efforts to improve the availability, quality, and access to Early Care Education services for the children and families of LAC.

County Counsel has approved award number CLPC-4018 as to form.

## <u>IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)</u>

Approval of the recommended actions will allow Public Health to continue the implementation of LPC and childcare and development services.

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