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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents, and any needed subsequent amendments, with Long Beach Memorial Medical Center (LBMMC) to operate a customized training program for Patient Care Assistants and related fields, in the amount of \$320,000, for the period November 1, 2016 through December 31, 2017. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

Pacific Gateway administers various employment and educational training programs through its Career Transition Center, Harbor Gateway WorkSource Center, Youth Opportunity Center, and partnerships with selected community organizations. These programs assist individuals in acquiring various skills leading to employment in high demand occupations by local employers and educational success. Eligible uses of funds for worker retraining, skills development, and support services continue as key strategies. Specifically, Pacific Gateway places additional emphasis on customized training for businesses, development of on-the-job training opportunities, supportive services assistance to trainees, and leverage of complementary training investments by employer partners.

As a step to achieve the goal of expanding training opportunities for Pacific Gateway customers, Pacific Gateway has collaborated with LBMMC to design, develop, and implement a \$320,000 customized training program (Program) for Patient Care Assistants and related fields. The Program will train 200 incumbent workers, unemployed/underemployed adults, dislocated workers, and older youth. The Program will focus on developing transferable computer, clinical, and customer services skills essential for employment in the healthcare industry. Each participant will need to complete 280 hours of classroom and clinical training.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Amy R. Webber on November 2, 2016 and by Budget Analysis Officer Julissa José-Murray on October 31, 2016.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on November 22, 2016, to facilitate processing of required documents.

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FISCAL IMPACT

This Program will be funded by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) and similar grants received by Pacific Gateway. Sufficient funding for this Program is budgeted in the Community Development Grants Fund (SR 150) in the Economic and Property Development Department (EP). Approval of this recommendation will result in employment preparation, placement, and retention services to 200 residents.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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