



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR  
January 28, 2020

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
 From: Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager  
 Submitted by: Kelly Wallace, Interim Director, Health, Housing & Community Services  
 Subject: Contract No. 3200086 Amendment: Albany Community Access to Resources and Services (Albany CARES)

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or her designee to amend Contract No. 3200086 with the Albany Community Access to Resources and Services (Albany CARES) in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for a total not to exceed contract amount of \$100,000, through June 30, 2020.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) funding from the State of California in the amount of \$50,000 is available in the FY2020 budget for the Albany CARES program in the following ERMA GL Code: 315-51-503-526-2017-000-451-612990. The Contract Management System number for this contract amendment is CMS No. R1754.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

Per the City Council approved FY2018/19 MHSA Annual Update, Contract No. 3200086 with the City of Albany was executed to support the Albany CARES program. Albany CARES provides a one-stop venue for residents to learn about and receive referrals to resources for help with a range of social, mental health and economic issues. The intent of the program is to complement current services provided by other agencies and fill in where gaps exist through service coordination and linkages.

The City Council approved FY2019/20 Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Annual Update, included \$50,000 of MHSA funds for services provided through the Albany CARES program through June 30, 2020.

BACKGROUND

Since the passage of Proposition 63 in 2004, the Health, Housing & Community Services Department, Mental Health Division, has received annual MHSA funding which is utilized to expand and transform the mental health service delivery system to better meet the needs of underserved and inappropriately served communities, among others. This initiative has provided new opportunities for the Mental Health Division to further develop and expand its system of care, adding new programs to the divisions own

program and utilizing non-profit providers and community partners in the planning and delivery of comprehensive mental health services for the residents of Berkeley and Albany. The contract this report seeks to extend advances this goal and will provide improved coordination between the Cities of Berkeley and Albany.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

There are no identifiable environmental impacts or opportunities associated with the action recommended in this report.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

Allocating funding for Albany CARES provides mental health services and supports for vulnerable residents in the City of Albany.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

Funding for Albany CARES is in the City Council approved FY2019/20 MHSA Annual Update. In order for MHSA funded mental health services and supports for residents in the City of Albany to continue, no other alternative actions were considered.

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Attachments:

1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

CONTRACT NO. 3200086 AMENDMENT: ALBANY COMMUNITY ACCESS TO  
RESOURCES AND SERVICES (ALBANY CARES) PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) funds are allocated to mental health jurisdictions across the state for the purposes of transforming the mental health system into one that is consumer and family driven, culturally competent, wellness and recovery oriented, includes community collaboration, and implements integrated services; and

WHEREAS, the City's Department of Health, Housing & Community Services, Mental Health Division, currently receives MHSA funds on an annual basis to provide mental health services and supports to the residents of Berkeley and Albany; and

WHEREAS, in order to utilize funding for programs and services, the Mental Health Division must have a locally approved Plan, Annual Update, or Three Year Program and Expenditure Plan in place for the funding timeframe; and

WHEREAS, on October 30, 2018 by Resolution No. 68,639-N.S., the City Council authorized the City Manager to approve the MHSA Fiscal Years 2018 through 2019 Annual Update, which included allocating \$50,000 to the City of Albany for the Albany CARES program to provide mental health services and supports to vulnerable residents from ERMA GL Code: 315; and

WHEREAS, per the approved FY2018/19 MHSA Annual Update, Contract No. 3200086 with Albany CARES was executed; and

WHEREAS, on July 23, 2019 by Resolution No. 69,033-N.S., the City Council authorized the City Manager to approve the MHSA Fiscal Years 2019 through 2020 Annual Update, which included allocating an additional \$50,000 to the City of Albany for the Albany CARES program.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is authorized to execute an amendment to Contract No. 3200086 with Albany CARES for mental health services and supports through June 30, 2020, increasing the contract by \$50,000 to bring the total not to exceed amount of the contract to \$100,000. A record signature copy of said contract and any amendments to be on file in the City Clerk Department.

